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School board approves middle school declaration

Shannon Morgan
ALBANY — After an hour and a half of acrimonious Tuesday, the Board of Education voted to approve a mitigated negative declaration for the construction of a new middle school.
While the action ends the district's environmental review process under the California Environmental Quality Act, it seemed to exacerbate already tense relations with residents and city officials.
The district released a final 131-page document minutes after the meeting started that included new mitigation measures, which would cost an estimated \$356,000, addressing offset parking, safety and traffic concerns.
Measures include:
An estimated \$90,000 to close off Behrens Street at

Spokane Avenue with a cul-de-sac that will allow bus and emergency vehicle access. However, the document states the district is only willing to do so if the design can be designated and approved by both the cities of Albany and El Cerrito prior to construction and states that "each city is responsible for the design."
• The building project will now include fire sprinklers at an estimated cost of \$150,000 to \$200,000 to comply with a requirement by Fire Chief Marc McGinn to do so or have the north side of Brighton Avenue designated a permanent red zone. Student drop-off/pickup activity will still occur on Brighton Avenue but the inclusion of street bulb outs has been removed.
• The district will pay for a bus shelter, at an estimated cost of \$5,000 to \$10,000, on the east side of Masonic Avenue for student drop-off/pickup activity.
• A 6-foot fence will be constructed along the street

portion of Behrens Street to prevent pedestrians from shortcutting across the northeast portion of the site to gain access to Cougar Field. While the main access point to the field has been relocated to the west side of the site, high school students, will gain access to the field during middle school hours by cutting through the school parking lot on Spokane Avenue.
Before taking public comment on the items, school Boardmember Peggy Thomsen questioned the cost of added measures, with Superintendent Dale Hudson picking up the thread of her questioning.
"I think clearly the question would indicate the obvious, which is that we would have incurred costs beyond anything imagined at facilities meetings. It means that in the totality of the projects (to be carried out under the district's \$31.6 million bond measure) we're going to have to come up with those funds," he said, kicking off a

heated volley of thinly veiled accusations.
"The process we've gone through has increased costs. There are things (in the overall bond project) that will drop off to pay for these," Riffer said.
The implication, taken by audience members though never spoken outright, is that the district would be in a better position to meet all of its bond obligations if not for the edicts sought by the city of Albany.
The notion would seem to pit one cause for concern against another, given repeated concerns by some that the district is spending the bulk of the bond money for new school construction, while delaying and possibly minimizing funds available for other facilities upgrades, including seismic retrofits.
"One thing I'm a little concerned about is there seems
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Committee reviews Plaza proposals

Dawn Frasier
EL CERRITO — Members of the Redevelopment Advisory Committee spent about two hours Tuesday evening discussing their reactions to development proposals for El Cerrito Plaza.
Members came with their opinions on the proposals already formed. Member Laurel Volpini, in fact, said she was ready to put "thumbs down" on "a couple of proposals." She suggested that others felt the same way, a few might be removed from the discussion early on.
Redevelopment Agency manager Elisa Tierney discouraged that approach. Tierney said staff was already to eliminate any proposals and preferred instead to hear the "major concerns, issues and questions" of the committee — perhaps in order to go back to the developer "for a cure."
Tierney added that staff has in gone back to the developers with several questions already and making note of which developers were not responded in a timely manner to requests for more information.
Several issues of common concern were expressed before chair Bill Baker led a brief discussion of each of the proposals in turn.
There seemed to be general consensus in three areas.
All RAC members are concerned about the future of the Plaza's current tenants.
"I've talked to these people, and they're worried," said Mike Gonzales. "Some of these people have been working here for 30 years. It's a nice idea to have a clean sweep and go, but emotionally"
Tierney said "a lot of" the developers seemed sensitive to the current tenants' situation. Several RAC members disagreed with her analysis and continued to express their concern that relocation, if necessary, happen in a way that's acceptable to tenants.
Tierney also noted that "Bilak is the only one who is currently asking for relocation assistance." She said that Milton Bilak, the current owner of half the Plaza, might have the most difficulty obtaining redevelopment assistance for that purpose, since no exercise of eminent domain would be involved if he renovated his own property.
Some development proposals involve a phased approach that would address relocation to some extent. Mark Caughey, however, urged his fellow RAC members not to "try to solve" expressed concerns.
Two other issues of general concern were expressed. Members felt that most proposals did not call for a



The long familiar view of the El Cerrito Plaza may soon be set for a radical change if one of seven proposals pending is approved.

use of Cerrito Creek that reflects the community's strong interest in its renovation and public use.
Members also felt that many proposals did not reflect the community's desire for some kind of civic center. (The concept is not strictly defined; it could range from a gathering place for friends and neighbors to a plaza incorporating public buildings of some kind — a city hall or library, for example.) Neither was their much to be said for the strong pedestrian/bicycle orientation at the Plaza the community desires to see.
"I think we're starting to see a theme here," said Sandia Potter of many of the proposals. "A bunch of parking and crescent-shaped building layouts."
In the following discussion, all members commented regularly on the extent to which each development team's proposal incorporated (or, more often, did not incorporate) the planning concepts of interest to the community.
RAC member Horacio Avelino expressed his belief that most developers "would be negotiable" on many

elements of their plans. Several, in fact, had emphasized their "flexibility" in presenting their proposals to the El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency last month.
Still, members questioned whether some developers have demonstrated their willingness and ability to work with the community in carrying out concepts developed in a number of participatory planning workshops.
The committee seemed impressed with Jack Bariteau's presentation and see him as a person who could work with the community, for example. At the same time, no one particularly liked his site plan. Bariteau is an independent developer who often takes on all parts of the project himself, working with his equity partner in the Keenan Land Company.
RAC members liked his "up front approach," as Bill Commerford put it.
"Of all of them, he seemed to care a lot about quality," said Laurel Volpini.
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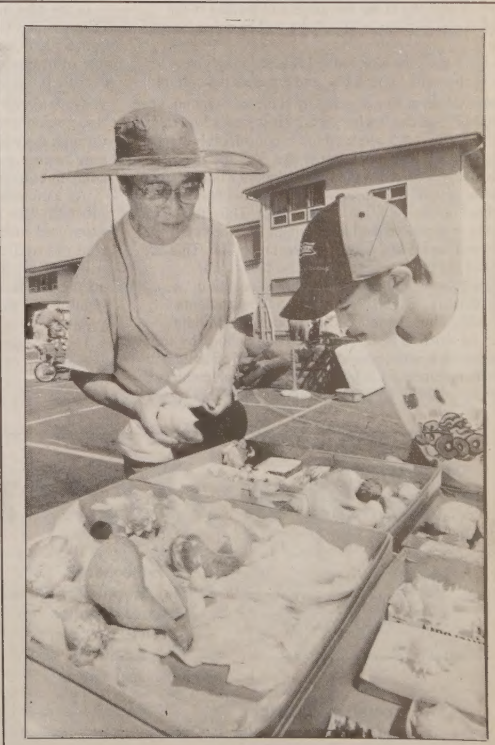
Albany measure to be put to the test

Greg Hugunin
ALBANY — The city-sponsored Measure R, which would gain 76 percent voter approval, will face its first — and perhaps most difficult — hurdle before any ballots being cast.
Because of the manner in which Measure R will be raised, a special vote property owners will be held this November, which could squelch Measure R before the campaigning has a chance to get started.
Measure R, which will involve property owners either accepting or protesting a new assessment district

through which funds will be collected, will be weighted, with larger parcels counting for more. If 50 percent plus one foot of the votes come against the district, Measure R will have no means of raising revenue and thus become ineffective.
The charge against the new assessment district is being led by Albany resident Anne Haden, who has spoken repeatedly against the measure as one which, regardless of its apparent good intentions, is not well-enough thought out. Under the title of the Albany Protest Committee, Haden and others have been urging property owners to protest the district prior to Oct. 21, the last possible day to do so.
"It's a matter of priorities," said Haden, whose efforts have contributed to the approximately 250 protest letters the city had received as of Monday. "I don't think it's a proper subject matter for an assessment district. I think it's way too vague and ambiguous."
Haden is only one of a number of city residents who are slowly but surely coming out against the new assessment. If the district is not overturned and Measure R passes, it would provide approximately \$500,000 per year for purchase of open space on Albany Hill, creek restoration and playfield acquisition on a 50-25-25 percent split, respectively.
The complaints about Measure R have been numerous. High on the list is the fact that, although the funds are dedicated to the three goals, the specific pieces of land to be bought and specific projects to be performed are not identified and would be decided by the City Council in years to come. In other words, although possible projects are listed in the engineer's report, nothing is set in stone.
The money could, in fact, be used by future councils to supplant General Fund expenditures in cases such as playground maintenance, regardless of the fact that the current City Council has vowed not to do so. Although
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Candidate says he'll work for solutions

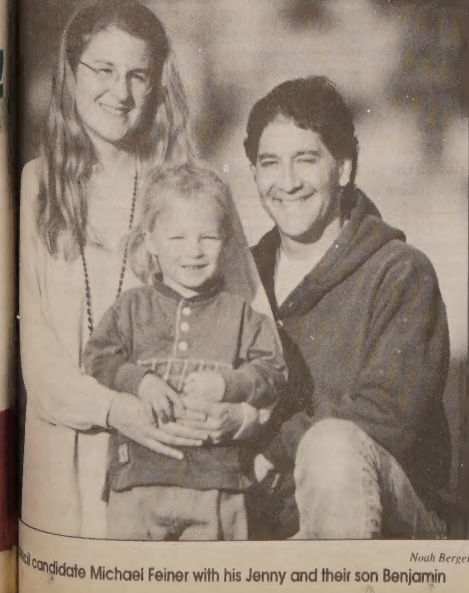
By Greg Hugunin
ALBANY — Whoever has been going around town complaining about the City Council apparently left candidate Michael Feiner off their list, for he says that, at least privately, he's heard nothing but good things about the council members he hopes to join this November.
For Feiner, phrases like "win-win situation" and "positive, constructive contribution" define the approach he would take toward serving on Albany's top governing body. In a city which has produced a constant, if at times covert, stream of criticism toward those who make the decisions, Feiner is among those who would like to see those interested in city government put their best foot forward and let the sniping come to an end.
"I think (the current council members) are good, honest, decent human beings," says Feiner. "They do the best they can do. When you put yourself in the public limelight, a lot of criticism can come from that."
A four-year member of the Planning and Zoning Commission who was elected chair in 1995, Feiner is in a unique position among candidates in that he's been in agreement with the current council on just about every issue they've dealt with over the past few years.
He supported the cardroom and believes council members should be able to remove their appointees when they see fit, and for those who find nothing but problems with the way Albany is being run, he challenges them to stop complaining and to become a part of the solution.
In Feiner, one sees a perfect example of the dichotomy in Albany politics over the past few years: While a vocal, if small, group of city resi-



Noah Berger

Mega benefit

Mary Jane Lock and her grandson Kyson Bunthuan, a 4th grad student at Harding Elementary School in El Cerrito, looked at sea shells for sale at last Saturday's Mega Flea Market held at the school. The annual sale is held to benefit school activities and brings together neighborhood residents looking to clean out their garages or sale their wares and school staff and students.



Noah Berger

City candidate Michael Feiner with his Jenny and their son Benjamin

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■ Letters to the Editor

School impacts merit review

Editor:

This is to warn the citizens of Albany about the serious dangers of their proposed new Middle School. The school district wants to build it on the old Hill Lumber site. The proposal has generated heated opposition, which has been widely viewed as the predictable resistance of residents who don't want more parking and traffic in their backyards. Certainly the neighborhood is worried about the school's impacts, but more important issues also are at stake.

Student welfare and all Albany citizen's property values could suffer even more than the immediate neighborhood. Many people pay large prices for small houses to live in Albany, largely because of the good reputation of the school district. If the school district were to make a really serious long-term blunder that eroded the quality of education and the district's reputation, then the consequences could be disastrous — not only for the students but also for all property owners in the city.

The Middle School proposal could well be such a blunder. The Hill Lumber site is way too small for a 750-student Middle School. When the district released its preliminary environmental review in June, it acknowledged that state Department of Education guidelines call for a site of more than 16 acres for such a school. The Hill Lumber site is only 3.8 acres. As a result, there is no room for student drop-off and pick-up on the site, and there is no room for visitor parking as also recommended by the state. In fact, there is no room for a decent cafeteria. The students will eat outside all year-round, no matter how cold or wet. The "dining area" will be on pavement only partially covered by a roof-like projection, with a wall on only one side.

And even worse from the neighbors' perspective, the site is so crammed that the main driveway for the school has to be placed on a quiet residential side street of single-family homes, instead of on Brighton Avenue, the thoroughfare that would run in front of the school. This side-street, which runs along the site's eastern boundary, is called Spokane Avenue in Albany and changes its name to Behrens Street when it bends and enters El Cerrito.

It is not a safe spot to put any busy driveway, and certainly not one that will feature a dangerous mix of cars, trucks, students on bicycles and students walking. The driveway will serve as access to the teachers' parking lot and will also be used by delivery trucks and garbage trucks. It also will be the access to the students' bicycle lot. Most importantly, it will be the access for Cougar Field, which lies directly behind the Hill Lumber site and is used by the High School students who walk over daily for physical education classes. Cougar Field is also a regional sports field for local Little League, soccer leagues and various community events. Altogether the field hosts about 200 events a year, not counting High School physical education, and many of these events draw more than a hundred people. Those of us who live on Spokane/Behrens are concerned about the disruption to our peace and security caused by the heavy traffic, parking and pedestrian impacts not only of the school itself but also of having this busy driveway on our residential street, which is only 30-feet wide, considered substandard in width for even a local residential street. (Currently the High School students do not have to come up our small street to reach Cougar Field — they enter off of Brighton, and the public users of Cougar Field enter and park on the large empty lot that was once part of Hill Lumber.)

Another serious worry for Albany parents is the close proximity of the High School. With the High School only a block away, the Middle School students will come into close contact with high school students. Albany school district Superintendent Dale Hurlson told us at a community meeting that the district wants to keep the two groups separated. This is important developmentally, and it is also a safety issue, since some high school students are known to have problems with drugs and alcohol that could pose dangers to the middle school students. As a result, the school district will try to limit access to the middle school campus, but there is no way to keep the groups apart when they're arriving in the mornings and leaving in the afternoons. Further, both groups will be using Cougar Field.

So, what's the alternative? One seemingly very good alternative does exist, and it makes the current proposal seem almost crazy by contrast. Why not keep the Middle School where it is? The current Middle School site is 5.5 acres, which is considerably larger than the 3.8-acre Hill Lumber site. Yet, the school district proposes to build a 750-student Middle School on the smaller site and install a 500-student elementary school on the old Middle School site. Thus, the district plans to shoehorn the larger school into the small site and put the smaller school on the larger site. This odd allocation of taxpayer money also means that elementary students will be going to school in classrooms designed for Middle School students. Wouldn't it make more sense to keep the Middle School where it is, far from the High School, by simply adding on a new classroom building and to build a smaller elementary school, designed for elementary school students, on the Hill Lumber site? This would

reduce the impacts on the neighborhood, keep the Middle School and High School students separated, and provide a more rational allocation of land according to school size.

Moreover, if the Middle School is built a block away from the High School on the Hill Lumber site, more than half of the students of the Albany school district will be concentrated in a one-block area in a residential neighborhood. Further, this concentration would not be centrally located but would be on the district's northernmost border, where much of the burden will fall on El Cerrito residents, who derive no benefits from Albany schools. Many of us on Spokane/Behrens in particular also do not believe that our small side-street of single-family homes should be turned into a traffic and parking pipeline for a major school and a regional recreational field. On top of all this, there is already considerable friction between the High School and neighbors over litter, drugs and Adult School congestion. By adding a large Middle School to the same neighborhood, this friction will be exacerbated, which could erode school staff morale, community tolerance and the overall learning environment.

The school district says its planning is already "too far down the track" to go back, particularly since it wants to move into the new Middle School by fall 1998. But they are making a decision that will affect the educational program and the surrounding community for decades to come, and such a decision needs to carefully weigh the alternatives in light of the problems that have surfaced in the past few months. Further, if the district proceeds in the direction it is heading, without such an examination, some neighbors are upset enough to be contemplating a lawsuit to compel a full environmental impact report. The resulting delay and cost to the district of such a suit could well exceed the delay of resolving this dispute in a cooperative manner. I am among those who believe that an environmental impact report, along with its standard examination of alternatives, is necessary. But I don't want an EIR that has to be compelled by lawsuit. I want one compelled by a regard for the welfare of both the students and the community at large.

Charles Burress
El Cerrito

Seniors need parking

The Journal received a copy of the following letter responding to a Sept. 19 Journal letter by Matthew Surrence:

I received your letter dated Sept. 3, with regard to the parking citations.

As you may or may not know, we have a large contingent of senior citizens who visit the El Cerrito Plaza daily in order to have lunch. It is important that they be able to park near the restaurants.

We have been asked by our restaurants to monitor the parking near the El Cerrito Plaza shops, particularly near the restaurants. Employees at El Cerrito Plaza also receive this notice.

As a customer of El Cerrito Plaza you are welcome. If you park for a short time in order to shop or eat, you may park in the spaces that are close to the shops. If you ride BART and park for an extended time, you must park along the perimeter of the parking lot. We will not be ticketing these people.

Thank you for your interest in and patronage of the El Cerrito Plaza.

Janet Jolley, CPM
General Manager, El Cerrito Plaza

Use a satellite instead

Editor:

Deregulation of cable TV in the mid-'80s was largely a failure because companies refused to compete with each other over the same markets. Cable became, essentially, an unregulated monopoly and prices soared. But now, satellite TV is actually providing viable competition for cable. If Albany makes effective use of satellite TV, it would serve to keep our cable prices reasonable.

In the past month, competition among satellite TV providers has reduced the cost of equipment from \$500 down to \$200 when purchased with one year of programming. A 40-channel package of satellite programming including Disney, CNN, etc., is available for only \$19.95 per month. Some of these equipment price reductions are good only through the end of October, although I suspect they may be continued indefinitely as the various satellite companies continue to compete.

As a member of Albany's cable TV subcommittee, I would have like to institute a city-sponsored education seminar about the pros and cons of satellite TV while these lowered prices are still in effect. The purpose would have been to help people decide whether taking the plunge into satellite TV would be right for them and how to go about doing it.

Unfortunately, the timing could not have been worse! Two of Albany's three cable subcommittee members are running for office. (I am running for

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■ Police Reports

Thief enters Albany home, steals various items

By K. Osborn

ALBANY — A resident on the 900 block of Palalta Avenue reported that between noon and 5 p.m. on Sept. 24 a thief entered her house through a window, stole various items including a cordless phone and departed unseen.

At about 9:45 p.m. Sept. 23 Albany officers contacted an Oakland man riding his bike on San Pablo Avenue without lights. A check revealed he had an outstanding warrant from Contra Costa County for Driving Under the Influence and was arrested.

On the afternoon of Sept. 23 a resident of the 500 block of Pierce Street reported that on the previous Friday or Saturday thieves broke into her car and stole her radio and some tools. There were no witnesses.

At about 8 p.m. on Sept. 25 Albany officers arrested a transient man at Golden Gate Fields who had an outstanding warrant from Berkeley in the amount of \$2,000.

At about 4 a.m. on Sept. 26 Albany officers arrested an El Sobrante man and a 17-year-old boy who were at a business on Cleveland Avenue and in possession of burglary tools.

On the morning of Sept. 26 an employee of a business on the 1000 block of Eastshore Highway reported that sometime during the early morning hours vandals had cut the hoses on several pieces of machinery. There were no witnesses.

A woman on the 1100 block of Solano Avenue reported that on the afternoon of Sept. 26 someone stole a bike from in front of her store. The thief was last seen riding east on Solano Avenue.

On the afternoon of Sept. 27 a employee of a business on the 1300 block of Solano Avenue reported that a thief stole money from a desk and fled. Police are investigating.

On the afternoon of Sept. 27 a restaurant on the 1400 block of Solano Avenue reported that a tall, bald white male, wearing a white T-shirt and riding a bike, was spraying mace on adults and children who were on the sidewalk in front of the restaurant. The person was gone when officers arrived.

At about 8:20 p.m. on Sept. 27 the owner of an orange 1976 Datsun pickup reported that vandals had punctured the tires on his truck while it was parked on the 800 block of Adams Street. There were no witnesses.

At about 9:30 p.m. on Sept. 27 a resident on the 400 block of Talbot Avenue reported that their house was egged while they were out. There were no witnesses.

At about 12:30 a.m. on Sept. 28 Albany officers responded to reports of a group of juveniles driving around in a van and being rowdy in the area of Dartmouth and Masonic avenues. A few minutes later the same group was seen running in the creek area near Neilson Street and getting on

roofs. Officers contacted a group, all Albany residents, advised them to discontinue behavior and go home. Confiscated eggs and sticks.

Albany officers stopped a 1993 BMW on the 700 block of Taft Street just before midnight on Sept. 28 for suspicious activity. They confiscated eggs, toilet paper and told the owner of the car to go home.

At about 1 a.m. on Sept. 29 Albany officers noticed graffiti on structures near the Eastshore Highway and near San Jose man who had a criminal history. He was found to be the influence of narcotics and arrested.

At about 3:30 a.m. on Sept. 29 the Albany station received a 911 call where the caller "wrong number" and hung up. Because of prior domestic violence at this address officers investigated. They found a man had a warrant for battery on a woman who had a warrant for domestic violence. Both were arrested.

During the week of Sept. 29 Albany officers fingerprinted people at their request. One car, responded to 31 alarms, attended to five injured or deceased animals, responded to seven domestic disputes, assisted four people were locked out of their home or car and responded to reports of barking dogs.

Juveniles ask to use bathroom, then rob home

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — For the second time in two weeks, an El Cerrito resident has been victimized by children asking to use the bathroom and then burglarizing the home. In the 6600 block of Cutting Boulevard, a woman opened her door to children who said they were selling candy, then asked to use the bathroom. Cash and electronic items were reported stolen from the home. The incident occurred at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19.

A woman grabbed an El Cerrito woman's purse while the victim was walking on the Fairmount Avenue sidewalk at Clayton at about 7:43 p.m. Sept. 19. After a brief struggle, the victim screamed, and the would-be thief ran away without the purse.

She is described as a black female, 20 to 25 years of age, 5'4", 125 pounds, wearing a white short-sleeved shirt and dark pants. The suspect was joined by a second suspect, a black male in his 20's, about 5'9" in height.

Der Wienerschnitzel was robbed at about 7:30 p.m. the same night. A man demanded and received cash after threatening the employee with a handgun. He is described as a black male, 17 to 20 years of age, between 5'5" and 5'7" in height and "thin." He was wearing a dark jacket with green sleeves, a dark beanie cap with a white logo and light-colored shoes.

The thief entered a car driven by a second suspect, a man between 17 and 19 years of age and also wearing a beanie. They were last seen headed westbound on

Madison in a burgundy Ford Mustang, a 1985 to 1987 model.

A residential burglary was reported in the 2300 block of Humboldt Avenue during the daytime Sept. 17. Someone pried the glass open to the home's rear door, ransacked the residence and took cash, jewelry, electronic and miscellaneous items.

A baby stroller was reported stolen from a front porch in the 300 block of Victoria Street during the daytime Sept. 23.

An El Cerrito boy's bicycle has been stolen twice this year. The cable holding his bike was cut in the Target lot Sept. 22 between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. When he reported the loss, the youth also reported that the same thing had happened in February when the chain was cut; that incident also occurred in the Target lot.

Grand Auto was burglarized during the night of Sept. 22. Cash was taken; a plate glass window was broken for entry.

Two Richmond men were arrested for petty theft with priors at Safeway Sept. 23. They are accused of stealing wooden pallets.

Two juvenile males from Richmond were detained at Hi Tech Car Audio at about 5:10 a.m. Sept. 15. They are suspected of spray painting the business and had felt markers in their possession.

Hosana Oriental Foods was spray painted during the night of Sept. 20.

Kirby's Restaurant was burglarized during the night of Sept. 21. Someone forced open the cash boxes of the restaurant's vending machines and also attempted to cook food in the microwave oven.

A Richmond man was arrested for possession of a concealed weapon at San Pablo and Moeser at 12:30 a.m. Sept. 16. A second Richmond man was arrested for the same offense at Potrero Avenue near Stockton Street at 2:45 a.m. the same evening.

Five property thefts from vehicles were reported. Cash and phones were taken from a car parked in the 10500 block of San Pablo Avenue (afternoon, Sept. 16) and the 6500 block of El Cerrito (early morning or daytime, Sept. 22).

Stereos were taken from a car parked in the 1700 block of El Cerrito and the 1500 block of El Cerrito during the night of Sept. 22. A purse was taken from a car parked in the 6600 block of El Cerrito Street between 9:20 p.m. and 10 p.m. Sept. 20.

A Stockton man was arrested for possession of a vehicle reported stolen out of Oakland at 1:50 a.m. Sept. 26.

Someone broke a car window in the American Savings Bank between 7 p.m. and 7:20 p.m. Sept. 22.

Later that evening, between 9:05 p.m. and 9:10 p.m., someone threw large rocks through the windows in the 6500 block of Knott Avenue, the 2600 block of Arlington Boulevard and the 6700 block of Snowden Avenue.

Someone threw eggs at a car in the 7700 block of El Cerrito during the early morning hours of Sept. 22.

In other acts of vandalism someone used a large piece of wood to hit the body of a

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cost bins offered

WEST COUNTY — The West Costa Integrated Waste Management Authority has arranged for West County residents to use a "Seattle Composter" bin at a reduced price of \$35 (regularly \$45) starting Saturday, Oct. 5, at San Pablo Hall, One Alvarado Square. Bins will be available for purchase between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Special ongoing "Hot-To-Compost" sessions will be held throughout the morning. Call the authority's number, 215-3021, for more information.

andidates to speak

CERRITO — Our soon-to-be elected Senator Barbara Lee and Assemblywoman Dion Chabala will talk about their legislative priorities at the annual dinner of the El Cerrito Democratic Club Saturday, Oct. 12. The public is invited.

The dinner takes place at the Vista United Church of Christ, 7075 Cutting Blvd. The no-hosting bar opens at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. Adults \$15, children \$6. For information, call 945-1944 or mail checks to El Cerrito Democratic Club, P.O. Box 192, Cerrito 94530.

protest meeting

ALBANY —The Albany Tax Assessment Committee is meeting on Friday, Oct. 7, at 7:30 p.m. on the Avenue steps of City Hall. The meeting will discuss how to form the formation of the Open Tax Assessment District. It is a public hearing for the council meeting at 8 p.m., which considers the tax district. Property owners are urged to bring notices last week information of the city's intention to such a tax district.

A committee meeting will show the law gives property owners the right to vote against the tax district. Owners who need to live in Albany to vote in the district. If the owners of the assessable land in Albany file protests, the council will, by law, proceed with the tax district.

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Ernestine Forbes

Resident receives award

Catholic Charities of the East Bay recently named Ernestine Forbes the recipient of the Monsignor McCracken Award. This award is presented annually to the Bay Area Catholic woman who best embodies the spirit of service to the community.

Forbes, an El Cerrito resident, has been a Catholic Charities volunteer since 1947. She is a charter member of Catholic Charities Auxiliaries, volunteer women who serve Catholic Charities' clients, raise money, and support agency programs. Forbes also is past president of the Board of Directors of the American Diabetes Association, and has initiated patient support groups and other programs throughout the East Bay on behalf of this organization. At present, she volunteers at Alta Bates Medical Center in Berkeley, where her focus is on maintaining and improving patient care and customer service.

"Ernie Forbes has served faithfully as a volunteer for almost 50 years. Her passion and commitment continues to be an inspiration to those around her. The Monsignor McCracken Award is our way of recognizing Ernie's ongoing achievements," said Barbara Terrazas, executive director of Catholic Charities of the East Bay.

Catholic Charities of the East Bay is the largest provider of human services in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. Its professional staff works with volunteers to administer programs in counseling; employment, training, and education; community and parish social ministry; and housing and emergency services. Catholic Charities works in partnership with local parishes and other community-based agencies.

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Agency set to review proposals

By Dawn Frasier

The following is the second in a series

EL CERRITO — After many years of citizen, staff and city council concerns about the fate and future of El Cerrito Plaza, something may be about to happen. Seven different development teams presented plans for redevelopment of the shopping center site to the El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency and two rooms filled with interested citizens last month. Some of the teams promised a new and exciting center within 12 to 18 months after approvals are given and the land acquired, if they are the chosen developers.

The following reflect the points of emphasis made by the development teams in their presentations Monday night. The agency will discuss the proposals and developer qualifications in a study session scheduled for Oct. 7.

For two proposals, full acquisition of the Plaza is not needed. Milton Bilak owns about half the Plaza, excluding the Emporium property and Long's Drugs and their adjacent parking. Bilak is proposing to bring in a Wal-Mart store and a large Safeway (to replace Lucky) as center anchors. Both would be adjacent to one another, with parking on top.

Neither Bilak nor his son, who were present at the meeting, addressed the Agency. They were represented by an attorney and an architect. Neither did a representative of Wal-Mart address the council.

The attorney cited the "minimal amount of public funding/assistance" needed as a benefit of the proposal, since only half the land need be acquired. He estimated the sale price of the Plaza (presumably the portion held by his clients) at \$40 million. Development would be accomplished on an "economically efficient basis," he said. He also believes his clients will best protect existing tenants.

The architect for the project was said to be from "a nationally known firm" which had just completed a shopping center project in Sacramento. He did not show slides of his work.

The architect did refer to the current "lackluster" feeling and lack of excitement at the Plaza and proposed, among other design elements,

a covered arcade that would provide an attractive "front door" entrance from San Pablo Avenue, as well as new height levels, lights and topiaries, "water and color." A proposed town square would be visible through the arcade to San Pablo.

All the elements, he said, would work together to "create a sense of place."

Agency member Norma Jellison expressed her "confusion" as to the owner's recent interest in improvements when he has previously, she said, shown his "unwillingness to invest any money in tenant improvements." In Jellison's viewpoint his "unwillingness" was responsible for the decision of "Old Navy and others" to locate at Pinole Vista rather than in El Cerrito.

She said the center is 60 percent empty and questioned the perceived lack of effort to turn things around to this point.

The attorney said the owners are moving ahead now because the city has spelled out "standards and criteria" they can deal with and has asked for requests for proposals.

"We're looking for an economical way to develop the Plaza in conjunction with what the city documents are...now that there's a clearly articulated plan," he said.

He said the owners "would rather respond to problems" in the context of an RFQ/ RFP process.

He also called the Bilaks' proposal one that was based on "real world financing," taking into account the true market value of the Plaza.

Zelman/ PCF is related to John Pensk, who holds the option to purchase the Emporium site and its parking lot, again, about half the Plaza. ("Pensk and Partners" have for-lease signs posted on the Emporium building.) The other half would have to be acquired for full development. The group is working in partnership with Leonard Vasquez and Partners, architects; a principal of the firm was involved with the community envisioning workshops.

The team presented its proposal as one that "maximizes the vision of the concept plan with the reality of the market."

The proposed project is phased, with renovation of the Emporium building as Phase I. The building would be remodelled to accommodate "several promotional retailers" who would "provide the department-style goods the community is

used to (purchasing at the Emporium)," items like ready-to-wear, houseware, linens and consumer electronics. ("Promotional retailers" are fairly large stores — not stand-alones, with a regional draw; businesses like Circuit City or Old Navy, for example.)

The team sees benefits in the phased approach: in the immediate redevelopment of the Emporium space and the resulting sales tax and tax increment for the city and in the fact that no assistance is needed in Phase I.

Tax revenues could assist the city in further development phases, a representative noted.

The renovation of the Emporium is designed to give it a new, "more festive" face, a softer look, with "maybe an atrium as a major entry," ports and spaces.

An eight to 12-screen theater is suggested as part of the future development, along with development of retail along Fairmount, clustered housing at a renovated Cerrito Creek (the team is now working on a mixed use project combining housing and retail at the Fruitvale BART station, incorporating a two-year community planning process, among other projects), and "circular access along the development from one side to the other."

When asked about future Agency involvement, one representative said the team would probably not expect to pay in excess of \$10 per square foot for property acquisition, implying that assistance might be needed for extra costs.

Sares-Regis proposes to turn Fairmount Avenue into a "Main Street." As one representative put it, "the street will be our answer to Solano Avenue and College Avenue. No longer will Fairmount be the shortest distance between two points..."

The phased approach calls for the construction of a parking garage, residential units and restoration of the creek, as well as the relocation of Plaza merchants within the center as other retail shops are constructed.

"Our proposal gives Plaza merchants the most," he said, calling their businesses "much used and much loved" in the community. He promised 300,000 square feet of "fresh, up-to-date retail," fifty new families in award-winning housing,

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An overdue journey to the islands

So now I have been to Hawaii. Some of you may remember my recent column when I explained that I have been all over the world but I had never been to Hawaii. So I went to Hawaii. I went with the Retired Teachers of West Contra Costa County, and that, as always, was a pleasure. We flew to Honolulu and there boarded the ship that would take us on a pleasant week's cruise to four islands.

And I realized something on that ship. The *S.S. Independence* is the last, the very last, American cruise ship. Isn't that hard to believe? All those cruise ships that so many of us spend so many vacation hours on are of foreign make, ownership, and control.

My first and strongest reaction was that I should have gone to Hawaii before I did all the other travel.

I know now that I really have not "done" Hawaii. The cruise was lovely, as a cruise, but it was really not seeing the state. I knew that. I always refuse to go on tours or trips where I would spend only one day at a destination. But, without thinking, that is what I did. We would dock in a port and the only way to see anything would be to take one of the many tours offered; or two of them, because usually we could take one in the morning and another in the afternoon if we were of a mind to do so. Some of the tours were all-day, and we did get an overview of the island that way.

I did love Kauai. A small island that was terribly hammered by the hurricane of 1992, there

was something sweet and yet stalwart about it. I am very sorry that I didn't take the helicopter tour here, and some day I must go back and do so. Waimea Canyon was striking, but the Fern Grove was a sad sight, now consisting of a few Boston ferns hanging down from a barren cave top. Even the singing of the "Hawaiian Wedding Song" couldn't save it.

If I do go back, however, it will be to the Big Island, Hawaii. It is, indeed, big, and far too much to see in just a day. However, I did take the helicopter over Madam Pele, the volcano, which spouted and steamed and let us know that she is still going, still in charge, and magnificent. That night, as we sailed away from the island, we were able to see the lava, which is mostly underground in "tubes," make its way into the sea and continue her work of enlarging the island—very dramatic.

Everyone has been to Hawaii, and usually more than once, so I am sure I do not have to mention the Arizona Memorial or the catch of the heart one feels on seeing it; or the commercialization of Oahu, or the joy of swimming in the warm waters of the island, or the incredible prices of everything there, or Hilo Hatties which dominates the shopping in every port.

As for the rest, the ship was fun, the company good, the food delicious, and I came home with three certificates: One for "Ship Shape" — "Na'ekahi ha'akela" (which means "one who excels").

That's for walking five miles around the boat deck. Another is for becoming a "Ukulele Master" (which means I learned to play two songs, very poorly, on the ukulele), and the third a Hoku Award for taking part in the Passenger Talent Show. Wow.

And that is my report on my trip to Hawaii. I think I will have more to say about my January cruise from the Straits of Magellan to Patagonia.

Things are really happening at the Richmond Museum of History. (You have noted, I am sure, that I have a very soft spot — even a love — for that organization — and with reason. It is made up of people who are devoted to the whole idea of preserving the image and history of a city that is often derided and treated as second-class.) Anyway, as I said, things are happening.

For instance, the museum is celebrating its anniversary of Sunday, Oct. 13, with a party, featuring the "Phantom of the Basement."

The Phantom will conduct visitors and party-goers around the basement area, which is really the most interesting, because here are stashed and filed and held all the many, many artifacts, papers, documents, pieces of clothing, furniture, etc., that are all part of

Community Folk

By Clara Rae Genser



the collection of the museum, and part of the history of Richmond and its environs.

The Phantom will at last allow everyone to see the vast and varied items collected through the years and lovingly assembled by the small museum staff and the many volunteers who help them.

The anniversary party will be held at the museum at 400 Nevil Ave. (in the grand old brick building that was once a library) from 2 to 5 p.m. In addition to the basement tour there will be music, refreshments and a conservation clinic. Participants are invited to bring one piece of their own treasures to be evaluated by an expert.

For more information, call the Richmond Museum of History at 235-7387.

And the museum staff is also involved in the Rosie the Riveter Memorial, the unveiling of which will take place at the Marina Bay Park in the Richmond Marina on Saturday, Oct. 5, at 11 a.m.

And we must not forget to remind you that the Friends of the Albany Library will hold their annual Paperback Book Sale on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Edith Stone Room in the library itself. Although the big annual sale is held in the spring, this is the one where all the paperback books that you have donated to the Friends through the year are on sale, carefully displayed for your browsing pleasure.

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Thank you all for your calls and notes about my recent columns. I do so enjoy hearing your reactions. And, as always, I invite you to give me your ideas: interesting people, events, organizations, travel, etc. Please write to me at 555 Pierce St., #443, Albany, or call 525-4585.

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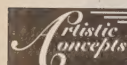
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Albany PTA Council News

School board candidates to speak

Peggy Thow

October brings us into the fall of campaign activity, and year gives us a long and hard ballot.

Particular interest to PTA school voters are the two new school board members to replace outgoing members Peggy Thompson and Ruffier. School Board members Bill Cain, Owen Ruffier, Dave McMahon, and Okawachi — who is running as a write-in candidate — will answer questions from the audience at a community meeting on Sunday, Oct. 20, 7 to 9 p.m. at the Community Center.

The meeting, sponsored by League of Women Voters of the Albany Teacher's Association, and the West Contra Costa County Times, will also feature questions from the LWV will be written questions from the audience and pass them to the candidates, allowing each candidate an equal amount of time to respond. Speaking of things political, the PTA has become the first organization in town to formally oppose Proposition 13, the "California Civil

Rights" initiative. The group voted on the state proposition during their first meeting of the year.

Meetings This Week

Tonight, Oct. 3, Albany Middle School PTA meets at 7 p.m. The meeting will focus on disaster preparedness at AMS. All interested parents are invited.

Also tonight, the PTA Council Disaster Preparedness Committee meets at Marin School, at 7:30 p.m. For information, call Ruth Konoff, 526-4531.

Friday, Oct. 4, is a staff development day in the Albany schools. Students do not attend school that day.

On Monday, Oct. 7, PTA Council meets in the AMS library at 7:30 p.m. Besides approving a budget for this year, we are planning a district-wide PTA meeting for Nov. 4, which will focus on the November election.

Albany Board of Education meets Tuesday, Oct. 8, at 7:30 in the Cornell Multi-Use Room.

Marin PTA meets on Thursday, Oct. 10, at 7 p.m. in the Marin Library. They will discuss and vote on the 1996-97 budget.

Albany police department aiming for funds

By Greg Hugunin

ALBANY — Driven by the apparent success of the Chief Operator program, the Police Department is pursuing more than \$500,000 in state grants to help increase traffic safety and curb teenage smoking.

The City Council recently gave the go-ahead to a pair of grant applications for \$75,000 and \$350,000 to start traffic and anti-smoking programs, respectively. If the state-funded grants are won, they will join an additional \$100,000 grant, which Police Chief Larry Murdo said Monday had just gained verbal approval, as well as nearly \$40,000 in state funding to put new sirens and light bars on the city's fleet of police vehicles.

hicles.

The first two grants, which have yet to be approved, would fund a pair of programs modeled on the Chief Operator Teen Driving Program in which youth are encouraged to be mentors to one another, according to Murdo.

The larger, for \$350,000, would fund a two-year project, to begin in 1997, in which the Police Department would attempt to curb teen smoking throughout the nine Bay Area counties by recruiting youth spokespersons, promoting anti-smoking art competitions, and seeking out those who seem to have the ear of their fellow teens and getting them to jump on the anti-smoking band-

wagon.

The program would target middle and high school students.

The smaller, \$75,000 grant, would focus on prevention of traffic-related injuries among school-age children. It would involve parent/student workshops and rallies and promoting good traffic safety behavior among elementary school students.

Both grants would come from the state Department of Health Services, and would promote programs similar to Chief Operator, which Murdo said helped reduce teen alcohol-related accidents involving injury or death by 18.9 percent in the Bay Area from 1992 to 1995.

According to Murdo, the depart-

ment also just got verbal approval on a \$100,000 state grant to continue the Chief Operator program in middle schools throughout the Bay Area. The rather unorthodox program involves Sgt. Bill Palmieri and Sgt. Art Clemmons performing as "Elvis and the Lawman" before youth groups to promote safe, sober driving.

The department will also receive \$39,821 out of the \$100 million state Citizen's Option for Public Safety (COPS) Program, which was passed by the Assembly to supplement front-line law enforcement activities. Murdo said the money will be used to upgrade light bars and sirens on city police vehicles and will not supplant existing department expenditures.

West County School Watch

By Glen Price

City councils endorse Measure E

On Sept. 24, the City Council of the City of Richmond voted 9-0 to endorse Measure E on the Nov. 5 ballot. Their action follows a similar position taken by the City of Hercules. Measure E seeks voter approval to continue the Maintenance and Recreation Assessment District (MRAD), which annually raises \$5 million for district schools.

City of Richmond Mayor Rosemary Corbin remarked, "This is something many of us have supported as individuals and now we need to take a stand as a City Council."

The Richmond City Council resolution stated, "Continuance of the Maintenance and Recreation Assessment District is vital to the well-being of the citizens of the City of Richmond and most especially to our children and youth ... defeat of Measure E would negatively impact the ability of the West Contra Costa Unified School District to deliver educational services to our children."

This past week Measure E was also endorsed by the Mexican American Political Association, El Cerrito Soccer Club, and the

Portola Middle School PTA.

Carnival Time at Mira Vista

Live entertainment, demonstrations, carnival games, raffle prizes, food and fun will all be featured at the Mira Vista Carnival on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and all East Richmond neighbors are invited to share the fun and renew the tradition of a school carnival which Mira Vista held for many years.

Entertainment will be provided by dancers and musicians from Los Cenzontles Mexican Arts Center, Momo the Clown and others. Admission is free. Mira Vista Elementary School is located at 6397 Hazel Ave. in East Richmond. Call 232-4064 for more information.

El Cerrito High School cleanup

El Cerrito High School is holding a schoolwide clean-up on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Organizers plan to meet in front of the school and will proceed to paint garbage cans, pick up trash, and weed landscape areas among other tasks.

ECHS teacher Linda O'Connor said, "We would like to invite all interested community members, parents, and students to join us on Saturday to help make our school a more pleasant place to be."

Parents' Saturday at Portola Middle School

Portola Middle School invites parents and community members to attend their forthcoming Parents' Saturday on Saturday, Oct. 12. Portola faculty will provide in-depth information on their classes as well as techniques parents can use to assist their middle school students. Portola principal Marcia Hatay said, "The whole idea is to give information to parents on how to get into the school and ways to support their child. All parents are welcome but the days' activities will be particularly relevant for sixth-grade parents."

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Health Talk

Asthma: How To Prevent It

Michael LeNoir, MD

Recent reports of increasing rates of asthma and asthma-related deaths in the United States are alarming enough. But the real trouble is the fact there's no one who can prevent it. There's a lot you can do to prevent asthma, and if you can't prevent it, there's much you can do to keep it from becoming a problem. And it doesn't matter how you live, or who you are.

Asthma is a problem in the lungs. When you have an asthma attack, airways in your lungs swell, making you cough and wheeze. Sometimes, the airways become so narrow it's nearly impossible to breathe. Then you need emergency help.

About 16 million Americans have asthma, and the risk is much higher among African Americans than in other groups. African American men, for example, are three times more likely than others to have asthma.

But it doesn't have to be this way. Asthma is most often caused by an allergic reaction to something that's in the air, such as dust, molds, auto exhaust, tobacco smoke, or chemical fumes. If you're sensitive to one or more of these things, then you might have an asthma attack if you breathe them in.

The rising rate of asthma in urban areas is probably the result, in part, of air pollution. But there are other things that can make the problem worse. More people in urban areas smoke, which is one of the things you can do to your lungs. Many people with asthma don't know how to use their inhalers. If you wait too long to get help, you may have asthma, the first thing to do is work with your doctor to develop a treatment plan. Then learn the early signs of an attack such as a cough or wheezing or tightness in the

chest, so you can take your medications as soon as possible.

Next, learn what triggers your attacks, and do what you can to avoid them. Your doctor can give you allergy tests that might help pinpoint the triggers. Of course, it's tough to avoid something like air pollution. But there are plenty of other things you can do:

- Stay away from pollen and molds in the air. Keep your windows closed when you can, and use air conditioning if you have it.
- Change the filters in your heater and air conditioner often.
- Wash pillowcases, blankets, and sheets often. And if you can, use a clothes dryer.
- Keep your home free of dust-collectors such as shag rugs, thick carpets, and upholstered furniture. Leave the floors bare, or use washable area rugs.
- Vacuum often. But if house dust is a problem for you, wear a dust-mask. Or better yet, get someone else to vacuum for you.
- Don't smoke. It's one of the worst things you can do to your lungs. And stay clear of people who do smoke.
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Albany Community Orchestra Weekly rehearsals are held each Tuesday from 7-9 p.m. in the music room at Albany High School. New members are welcome and auditions are not required. 559-6580.

Albany Pool, 1311 Portland Ave. 559-6640. Saturdays, Oct. 5-Nov. 23: Lifeguard Training Course from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. \$100.

Avatar Toastmasters, Thursdays: Public Speaking Skills and metaphysics come together. 2515 Hillgates and Dwight, Berkeley, at 6:15 p.m., 643-7645, 848-6510.

Berkeley Billiards, 2367 Shattuck Ave. Oct. 3: Grand opening. 848-1766.

Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant Ave. 848-3533 or 845-4725. Oct. 4: Steven Eisenberg will give a lecture titled "The 1996 Presidential Campaign and the World of Newspapers" at noon luncheon.

Berkeley City Council Chambers, 2134 MLK Jr. Way. Oct. 3: Candidates for the Berkeley Community College district and the AC Transit Board will answer voters' questions from 7-9 p.m. 843-8824.

Berkeley Design Advocates meet on the first Wednesday of the month at Ede's Restaurant at 7:30 p.m. 552-0440.

Berkeley Fellowship of Unitarian Universalists, 1924 Cedar at Bonita St. 841-4824. Tuesdays, Oct. 3-Dec. 12: Fun and Healing through Memory Writing from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Facilitator: Tim Ross, whom you can reach at 655-5646 (please don't be put off by his unusual voice). Suggested donation: \$45. No one denied participation. Child care included in fee. Register before Sept. 30.

Berkeley High School class of 1956 reunion. Oct. 5: dinner and dance at Claremont Hotel from 6:30-midnight. Oct. 6: Picnic at noon at Tilden Park Padre Section. '55, '56, '57 invited to attend both gatherings. 482-8568.

Berkeley History Center and Museum, 1931 Center St. 848-0181. Oct. 5: Science fiction writer Ray Nelson will speak about his craft from 4-6 p.m.

Berkeley Public Library, South Branch, 1901 Russell St. and MLK Way. 644-6860. Tuesdays through Nov. 12: Story hour for children ages 2-5 at 10 a.m.

Berkeley Public Library, West Branch, 1125 University, Oct. 3: African-American Women in WW2 at 7:30 p.m.

Black Oak Books, 1491 Shattuck Ave. 486-0698. All events are free and at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise scheduled. Oct. 6: David Harris, *Our War: What We Did in Vietnam and What It Did to Us*. Oct. 7: Luis Urra, *By the Lake of Sleeping Children: The Secret Life of the Mexican Border*. Oct. 8: Siri Husted, *The Enchantment of Lily Dahl*. Oct. 9: James Hillman, *The Soul's Code: In Search of Character and Calling*. Oct. 10: Robert Weil, *Red Cat, White Cat: China and the Contradictions of Market Socialism*.

Center for Psychological Studies, 1398 Solano Ave. 524-0291. Oct. 4: Lecture by Allen Kanner titled "With Earth in Mind: Introducing Ecopsychology," from 12-1:30 p.m.

Cafe Crayon, 1309 Solano Ave. 527-4475. Wednesday nights: Free chess club for kids. Lessons by coach Robert Haines. Please bring a chess set.

Claremont Hotel, Ashby and Domingo Avenues. Oct. 7: Free community briefing on the latest HIV/AIDS research and treatment from 6-8:30 p.m. 204-1870.

Contra Costa Hills Club, Oct. 6: Walk across S.F. to Cliff House via Golden Gate Park. 582-1717. Oct. 10: Hike in Marin County's Baltimore Canyon. 415-467-6167.

Doe Library, UC Berkeley campus. All readings from 12:10 to 12:50 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month. Oct. 3: Mark Doty.

Drama Workshop with Donna Davis. Mondays, 7-10 p.m. For beginners as well as experienced actors. 526-0671.

Easy Going Travel Shop and Bookstore, 1385 Shattuck Ave. 843-3533. All programs free and at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Oct. 8: Elaine Sosa and Betty Ann Webster, *Travelers' Tales San Francisco*. Oct. 10: Kristin Miller demonstrates how to plan a vacation.

Ecology Center, 2530 San Pablo Ave. (at corner of Blake). Oct. 4: Talk and book signing with Alan Thein Durning at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 5: Year Round Gardening in the East Bay from 12:30-2:30 p.m. \$5 non-members, \$4.

Fourth St. Center, on Fourth St. between Hearst and Delaware. The evening of Oct. 10: Ten percent of sales by participating businesses will be donated to Berkeley High School's Performing Arts Program.

Gala Books, 1400 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 548-4172. All events \$3 and at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Oct. 3: Margaret J. Wheatley and Myron Kellner-Rogers, *A Simple Way*. Oct. 4: Margaret J. Wheatley, *Yoga For Your Life*. Oct. 5: Allen Ginsberg at 8 p.m. Oct. 7: Stephen Mitchell, *Genesis*. Oct. 8: Olga Kharitidi, *Entering the Circle*. Oct. 9: Sadja Greenwood, M.D., *Menopause, Naturally*. Oct. 10: Matthew Fox, *Natural Grace*, at 8 p.m.

International Folk Dance Series meet Fridays from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. at the Albany YMCA, 921 Kains, \$3. 547-6355 or 769-9759.

Israeli folk dancing 8 to midnight, Wednesdays at El Cerrito Veteran Building, 6401 Stockton, El Cerrito. 231-0959.

Kensington 55-plus Activity Center open Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave., Kensington. 526-9146. Oct. 3: "Reduced Vision" at 11 a.m. Red Cross blood pressure check from 9:30-11 a.m. Oct. 10: "Hiking Lesser Known Parks in the Area." Herb and Ruth Wellermyer give a slide presentation at 11 a.m.

Kensington Library, 61 Arlington Ave. 524-3043. Oct. 10: Daffy Dave the Clown will be here at 3:30 p.m. Kids of all ages welcome.

Kensington Recreation Center, 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month: East Bay Collectors Club meeting from 7:30-9 p.m. We share an interest in stamp collecting, postal history and all related matters. 465-6266 or 526-5397.

La Peña Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck Ave. 849-2568. Oct. 5: Los Amigos de La Peña presents Dan Goldensohn at 10:30 a.m. \$3 adults/\$2 kids. Oct. 9: Water From the Well, a vocal workshop with Imani from 7-10 p.m. \$10-20. Poesia en Español at 7:30 p.m. Suggested donation: \$2.

Lawrence Hall of Science, Centennial Drive below Grizzly Peak Blvd., 642-5132. Oct. 5-Jan. 19: "Brain Games," a colorful, interactive exhibition featuring games designed to stimulate your mind. Excellent! Saturdays and Sundays: Holt Planetarium at 1, 2:15 and 2:30 p.m. \$2 per ticket. Children under 6 not admitted [?]. Saturdays: Computer Lab at 1, 2:15 and 2:30 p.m. \$5 per adult/child team. Recommended for children 5 and up.

Live Oak Park, 1301 Shattuck at Berryman. Through Oct. 30: Beginning Folk Dance Class on Wednesday nights, 7:45-9:45 p.m. \$20 for 8 week class. 841-1205.

Martin Luther King Jr. High School, 1781 Rose St. Oct. 6: An Evening with

President Jean-Bertrand Aristide starting at 7:30 p.m. \$12 in advance/\$15 at door. 848-6767 ext. 612. Oct. 9: Speak Up For Affirmative Action! No on 2091 at 7:30 p.m. featuring Angela Davis and Gus Newport. \$12 advance/\$10 at door. 548-0542. Free parking.

M.C. Newburn Books, 950 San Pablo Ave. Oct. 10: Celia Wakefield will discuss her work in progress with Kay Newhouse at 7 p.m.

Music Sources, 1000 The Alameda. Oct. 6: a talk and demonstration of the lira dabbaccio and its times, by violinist Jeanne Clausen at 5 p.m. \$18 general/\$15 MS members, seniors, students/\$6 student rush. 528-1685.

Nyninga Institute, 1815 Highland Place, Berkeley. 843-6812. Oct. 6: Lecture by Irene Elmer titled "What is Self," from 6-7 p.m.

Redwood Gardens, 2951 Derby St. Every Monday night: East Bay Singers, who welcome singers to join them, will rehearse. 527-8318.

REI, 1338 San Pablo Ave. 527-4140. Oct. 5: Rainwater at 2 p.m.

Sennin Foundation, 10323 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito. 526-7518. Through October 1996: free classes for children in Aiki-jutsu, an authentic Japanese martial art, Mondays through Thursdays from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m.

St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave. At St. John's Senior Center, 845-6830: Beginning Acting for 8 weeks from 1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Oct. 6: 3rd Biennial Pat Bond Memorial Old Dyke Awards from 3-6 p.m. \$10-25. 415-626-7000 ext. 135.

Stained Glass Garden, 1800 Fourth St. 841-2200. Through Oct. 15: Class on Intermediate Stained Glass: Lead, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Through Oct. 3, and Oct. 10-Nov. 7: An Introduction to Stained Glass, Thursday evenings from 7-9:30 p.m. Through Oct. 12: An Introduction to Stained Glass, Saturdays 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

University Art Museum, 2621 Durant, Berkeley. 842-2358. Touch of a Poet Series, Thursdays 7-9 p.m. Oct. 3: "Symbolism of the Sand Mandala" at 7 p.m.

UC Extension, 1995 University Ave. 642-4111. Through Nov. 12: Class titled "Israel and the Palestinian Question" on Tuesdays from 1-3 p.m. at 108 Richardson Hall, UC Extension Center, 55 Laguna St., San Francisco. \$185.

Albany YMCA, 921 Kains Ave. 525-1130. Friday Night Folkdancing from 8-9 p.m. \$3.

University YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. 848-6370. Women's Career Network is free to YWCA members and \$20 for nonmembers. One-hour session of Career Counseling is \$40 members and \$50 nonmembers. Self Assessment for Career Direction is \$120 members / \$130 nonmembers. Classes in Salsa, Ballroom, Tap, Afro-Brazilian,

Bellydance, Yoga, Aikido, Karate, Aerobics, Fitness Boxing, Self-Defense, Pilates-based exercise, Stress Management. Drop-in fees \$6.50-\$10. Oct. 8: Careers in the Human Resources Field will be the subject of lecture/discussion from 12 noon to 1 p.m. \$3. Oct. 10, 17: lecture on Florence, Italy.

Vista Community College, 2020 Milvia St. 841-8431, ext. 267. Oct. 4, 11, 12: "Enhance Image Editing Skills with an Introduction to Adobe Photoshop" from 5-9 p.m. \$96. Oct. 5, 12: "Explore the Internet" from 1-5 p.m. The following workshops will be from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and cost \$6.50 for California residents and \$70.10 [doll] for nonresidents. Oct. 5: "Managing Foreign Exchange."

Zellerbach Playhouse, UCB campus. Oct. 3: Rhodessa Jones will appear at 7:30 p.m. Free.

Performances

Ashkenaz, 1317 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 525-5054. Oct. 3: Benefit for S.F. Cannabis Buyer's Club with Thoth, Freeland, Wavy Gravy at 9 p.m. \$5-15. Oct. 4: Reggie Angels at 9:30 p.m. \$8. Oct. 5: West African Highlife Band at 9:30 p.m. \$8. Oct. 6: B'day party for Lilly Gibbs featuring Lilly and Co. from 3-5 p.m. \$5. Flamenco open stage at 8 p.m. \$6. Oct. 8: Cajun dance lesson at 8 p.m. Zydeco Flames at 9 p.m. \$5. Oct. 9: W.C. swing lessons at 8 p.m. Mark Hummel at 9 p.m. \$7. Oct. 10: None of the Above at 9 p.m. 62nd St. at 10 p.m. \$5.

Berkeley Repertory Theatre, Addison St. Through October 3: *Heartbreak House*. 845-4700 for ticket info.

Brick Hut, 2512 San Pablo Ave. 486-1124. Third Thursday of every month: Community Open Mic. Musicians, poets, comics and performance artists of every stripe welcome to practice or work on their material. 7:30-9:30. \$5 suggested donation.

Contra Costa Civic Theatre, 951 Pomona Ave. 524-9132. Through Oct. 6: *Love Letters*. Fri., Sat. performances at 8 p.m. Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. \$10 adults/\$6 youths. 524-9132.

Freight and Salvage, 1111 Addison St., Berkeley. 548-1761. Music at 8 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Oct. 3: Freddie Roulette. \$9.50 advance/\$10.50 at door. Oct. 4: The Austin Lounge Lizards. \$13.50/\$14.50. Oct. 5: Mollie O'Brien and Scott Nygaard. \$8.50/\$9.50. Oct. 9: Ro-Sham-Bo. Talk of da Town. \$8.50/\$9.50. Oct. 10: David Maloney. \$8.50/\$19.50.

Hertz Hall, University of California. Concerts on Wednesdays from 12:15-1 p.m. Oct. 9: String Quartet.

Julia Morgan Theatre, 2640 College Ave. Oct. 5: Music and Dance of Bali Gamelan Sekar Jaya at 8 p.m. \$12 general admission/\$10 students, seniors/\$6 12 and under. 392-4400.

Jupiter, 2181 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. Phone: THE-TAPS. Oct. 4: Brian

Gore Duo at 5:30 p.m. Jerry Granelli and UFB at 8 p.m. Oct. 5: Matt Cowan Quartet at 8 p.m. Oct. 9: Zika Zaka, Polka at 8 p.m. **Kimball's East**, 5800 Shellmound St., Emeryville. Oct. 3-Oct. 6: Freddie Jackson. \$24 Th/Fr, Sa, Sun \$28.

La Peña Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck Ave. 849-2568. Oct. 4: "Todo el Canto," Homage to Violeta Parra with Lichi Fuentes, Edith Leni, Lydia Mills and Mochi Parra at 8 p.m. \$8. Oct. 6: Imani-A Flight in Spirit at 8 p.m. \$8-10. Oct. 9: Water From the Well, a vocal workshop with Imani from 7-10 p.m. \$10-20.

Maybeck Recital Hall, 1537 Euclid Ave. 848-3228. Recitals are at 4 p.m. except when otherwise indicated. Oct. 6: Jessica Williams. \$25.

San Francisco Early Music Society, 528-1725. Oct. 5: Sex Chordae Consort of Viols at St. John's Presbyterian Church, located at 2727 College Ave., at 8 p.m. \$20 general/\$17 seniors and SFEMS Members/\$10 students.

Starry Plough Restaurant and Pub, 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 841-2082. Music starts at 9:45 Friday and Saturday, 9:30 on Thursday. Traditional Irish music every Sunday starting at 8 p.m. Every Monday: Irish dance lessons at 7 p.m. Traditional Irish music at 9 p.m. Every Tuesday: Cabaret Open Mike at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 4: Dieselhead. N.E.D. \$6. Oct. 5: Love Props, Ebola Soup, Sourpuss. \$6. Oct. 9: Darts. Oct. 10: Lars, Vegas, Gas Daddies.

UU Fellowship Hall, Cedar and Bonita. Oct. 5: Shay and Michael Black at 8 p.m.

Yoshi's, 6030 Claremont Ave., Oakland. 552-9200. All shows at 8 and 10 p.m. Through Oct. 6: Michael Bracken Quartet. \$15 Tue-Thur/\$18 Fri, Sat, Sun. Oct. 7: Bud Spangler Quartet. \$8 general/\$6 JIF members. Oct. 9-13: Stanley Turrentine Quartet and Marlena Shaw and her Trio. \$15 Wed., Thur./\$18 Fri., Sat., Sun. 8 and 10 p.m.

Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley campus. Oct. 3-5: Pina Bausch Tanztheater Wuppertal at 8 p.m. \$34/\$44/\$52. Oct. 6: Martha Argerich, piano, and Mischa Maisky, cello, at 3 p.m. \$28/\$36/\$42. Oct. 8: Sacred Music, Sacred Dance: The Mystical Arts of Tibet at 8 p.m. \$14/\$20/\$26.

Religious activities

Berkeley Fellowship of Unitarian Universalists, 1924 Cedar at Bonita St. 841-4824. Tuesdays, Oct. 3-Dec. 12: Fun and Healing through Memory Writing from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Suggested donation: \$45. Child care included in fee. Register before Sept. 30. Oct. 6: Ethics, Morality and Rebuilding Cities. Speaker Richard Register. Children's Program: Classes from preschool to junior high. 526-0972.

Berkeley Hillel, 2736 Bancroft Way.

845-7793. Oct. 3: Jewish Club at 7 p.m. Oct. 5: Shabbat Celebration at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 9: Hamagshimim/Chug Aiyah at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 10: John Rothmann, former student Richard Nixon, will give a presentation from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Congregation Beth Israel, 1100 Croft Way. Oct. 9: Rabbi Friedman will provide an introductory overview of Great Texts in Judaism from 4:15-6:45 p.m. 415-864-5836.

Environmentally Safe Meditation Group seeks new members. Please call Barbara at 525-4500.

Nyngma Institute, 19181 Place, Berkeley. 843-5812. Oct. 10: Tibetan Chanting from 5-6 p.m. Sunday Morning Kumbum from 10 a.m.-12 noon. \$10.

Sri Chinmoy Meditation Center free meditation workshops at Berkeley. 540-4114.

St. John's Presbyterian Church, College Ave. Oct. 10: Meeting of the women in St. John's Church at 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. RSVP. 848-1350.

Exhibits

A New Leaf Garden, Gilman St. 525-7621. Through Oct. 10: Outdoor show of contemporary art. ACCI Gallery, 1652 Shattuck Ave. 525-7621. Through Oct. 13: "Salvage: Photography and Glass." ing Paths.

Albany Arts Gallery, 120 Ave. 526-9558. Through Oct. 13: Views.

Albany Community Center, Oct. 5-Nov. 30: "Room at the Top" colors by Carole Fitzgerald.

Berkeley Historical Society, Center St., Berkeley. Through Oct. 10: "The Berkeley Literary Scene."

Berkeley Public Library, Branch, 1125 University. Collections of African-American during WW2. 644-6870.

Tenth Annual Eremylin exhibition, opens Oct. 4 from 6-8 p.m. exhibition center located at 1000 Halls.

Judah L. Magnes Museum, Russell St., Berkeley. 549-6823. Nov. 24: "Published Every Friday 100th Anniversary of the Jewish 'Hot off the Press' Children's Activities Area." The prize-winners in the Third International Jewish Competition.

La Peña Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 849-2568. Oct. 6: Gabriela Nunez's People of the Water colors and drawings. Oct. Defense of Affirmative Action.

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Students getting ready for another mock election

Just when you thought it was safe to go back to the polls, the League of Women Voters is sponsoring another Student/Parent Mock Election. It's new, improved and taking on national proportions.

On Wednesday, Oct. 30, not only will East Bay students be going to the polls, but so will millions of students from across the country.

On Election Night, the Office of the Secretary of State will serve as California Mock Election Headquarters. There, state-wide results will be tabulated and then forwarded to CNN, who will be covering the event nationally.

In the weeks before Election Day, local League of Women Voter volunteers will descend upon the high schools in Berkeley, Albany and Emeryville. Registration forms, voter guides and sample ballots in hand, they will sing their nonpartisan refrain about the importance of voting and voter education in a democracy, in the hopes that the students will join in.

Locally, 881 students participated in the Mock Election last March. Election organizers, with the assistance of high school teachers and administrators, are estimating over twice that many will be voting this time.

How redevelopment works for the city

Because of the interest generated in the development proposals at El Cerrito Plaza and my desire to provide residents with the tools for understanding how decisions are made, I want to give an overview of how redevelopment works.

The El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency is a separate legal entity from the City of El Cerrito. It has a separate budget. The obligations it undertakes, and the liabilities it may incur, are not those of the City of El Cerrito. This is no different from the private sector, in which a corporation creates other corporations to take on new business ventures without exposing the parent corporation to liability.

In order to reinforce the fact that there is a difference between the Redevelopment Agency and the City, the mayor does not act as chair of the Redevelopment Agency when it meets. Instead, the Redevelopment Agency has a separate chair and has its own meeting. Moreover, the City of El Cerrito charges the Redevelopment Agency for the time

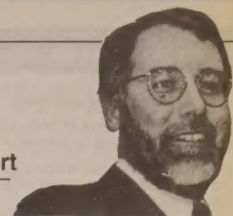
that we as agency members and the city staff incur in dealing with redevelopment agency matters. As a result, the Redevelopment Agency actually pays for part of the time of the city manager and other staff.

The purpose of the Redevelopment Agency is to redevelop property in the city that the private sector cannot or will not invest in. In older urban areas such as El Cerrito, land is divided into small parcels that make redevelopment of them by the private sector very expensive. It is cheaper to find some farmland and buy it to develop as a whole unit than to try to assemble smaller parcels in an urban area. Moreover, many urban parcels have extra costs that scare away private parties.

For example, at the site of the proposed PDG development one of the properties is an old gas station. All gas stations have underground storage tanks that have leaked gasoline and other hydrocarbons into the soil and water. This toxic contamination has to be cleaned up before anyone can use the property. Those costs are very high. No private developer would touch those parcels. When put together with other properties and cleanup through redevelopment, those unused parcels can be put back into economic production and good use.

El Cerrito Redevelopment Report

By Norman La Force,
Redevelopment agency chair



The funding for such action on the part of the Redevelopment Agency comes from what is called tax increment financing. Each property has an existing property rate before redevelopment. If the property is redeveloped, its property tax increases because the value of the property increases. The action of the Redevelopment Agency increases the value of the property and increases the property tax that the Redevelopment Agency receives. Without redevelopment, that increase in value does not exist.

For example, if the existing property tax at the old gas station site described above was \$500 and redevelopment of that site under the redevelopment agency increases that property tax to \$1,000, then the tax increment is \$500. That \$500 is used to pay for the Redevelopment Agency's investment in the redevelopment project.

So if the agency borrowed \$5,000 to spend on redeveloping the property and received \$3,000 from the

private developer, it would use the \$500 annual increase in property tax to pay off the remaining \$2,000 it had spent. No money from the City of El Cerrito's general fund is used for this investment.

Moreover, a portion of that increase in property tax revenues that redevelopment creates goes to our school district. It gets more tax dollars from the property through redevelopment than it would without it. Hence, our school district benefits from the redevelopment of a site.

The Redevelopment Agency also pays the city for the cost of staff time. It does not borrow money for this from the city, as one member of the public has recently charged. The Redevelopment Agency pays for the use of city funds. The city has such funds available through a finance vehicle called Tax Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRANs). The Redevelopment

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Crass and class

Katz dogged by past: Channel 5 prides itself on the extensive minority rep in its newsroom. So should it surprise anyone that a few KPIX TV staffers were upset when a guy working at the other end of the room had said on the air that motorists should run over Mexicans who were illegally crossing the border?

This came from the annoying Jeff Katz, a talentless, attention-grabbing talk-show host who was booted from a Sacramento radio station in August for making those remarks on the air. Sacramento's mayor called Katz' remarks a "hate crime." Katz insisted they were a joke pre-approved by station managers. KSTE Radio execs flatly denied it.

Katz, during his little stunt, added that for each illegal a motorist hit, they'd be awarded a sombrero bumper sticker. Ten of those earned you a free meal at Taco Bell. Pretty clever "joke," wasn't it? I bet a lot of creative thought and planning went into that one, har har.

KPIX sources tell me that's why some minority staffers there, especially those of Hispanic origin, were quite upset when Katz recently got a two-week tryout at that CBS-owned station doing afternoon drive. And they let KPIX Radio general manager Blaise Howard know about it, he admits.

"These were my friends from our TV side," Howard told me, putting a positive spin on things, "and I'm happy my colleagues felt comfortable enough to walk into my office to discuss it." One KPIX source told me that several minority reporters and TV anchors walked in as a group, a report Howard denies.

Howard had told me two weeks ago when I interviewed him for an Examiner piece that he'd have a decision on the controversial Katz by Friday or the following Monday, Sept. 23. But as of last Tuesday, Katz was still on the air, his show was being promoted, and he was doing puerile topics about girlie magazines and bathrooms. No immigration stuff. Following my Examiner piece, I began getting calls from Mexican-American groups up in the state capital, astonished that a San Francisco station would even audition this unlistenable boor. Howard admits he heard from them, too. Howard also said he'd been talking to Katz for months.

Finally, doing the right thing, Howard made what he calls a "strictly business decision" last week, ending Katz' longish audition. In that 3-6 p.m. slot on KPIX — the station's ratings have plummeted since the O.J. Simpson trial ended — Howard inserted Tom Leykis' syndicated show. Leykis is one of the few



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non-Clinton haters left on national talk radio.

No News Is Bad News: Since KPIX AM/FM was hemorrhaging ratings and had to do something, it's changed to a straight talk format. Howard says he reluctantly had to lay off four staffers, three in news. "And these were all people who'd been with the station since we signed on over two years ago." Gone are morning news co-anchors John Evans and BBC alumna Jackie Brambles, whose morning show has been replaced with tired-sounding Don Imus' syndicated show (Imus was dropped by Peninsula station KUFY-FM just a few weeks before, KUFY citing low ratings.)

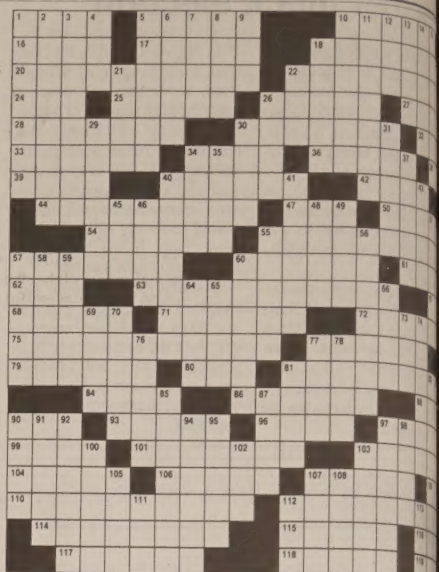
KPIX news director Robert McCormick, a KFRC and KCBS veteran, is reportedly barely hanging on, now doing news cut-ins on Imus' dreary morning show. Also out: McCormick's capable afternoon-news co-anchor, Susan Leigh Taylor, as well as early-evening host Brian Butler, another Beeb veteran. Howard is reportedly getting these folks auditions for air jobs at sister station "Alice @93.7 FM," the former KRQR.

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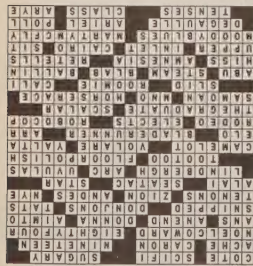
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Obituaries

MAX M. KLEMM

Resident of Albany, CA. Drowned off the Sonoma Coast while diving for Abalone, his favorite sport, on September 26, 1996.

Born October 3, 1917 in Savanna, Illinois to Riner and Florence Klemm. Husband of 54 years to the late Geraldine V. Klemm who died February 21, 1994. A resident of Albany for 50 years. Father of Max G. Klemm of Berkeley, CA, J. Bradley Klemm of Agana, Guam, A. Kent Klemm of Charlestown, West Virginia, Sally Jo Klemm, of Honolulu, Hawaii; brother of Ruth Kinkadee and Frank Klemm, of Marion, Iowa. Also leaves 8 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

Max boxed in the Golden Gloves in the late 30's and early 40's. He was in the U.S. Army during W.W.II. A member of Berkeley Lodge 363 Free and Accepted Masons, Sons in Retirement Branch 48, Bakery Wagon Drivers and Salesman Union Local 432.

Memorial Services: Monday, September 30, 1996 at 3:00 P.M. at Sunset View Mortuary, Fairmount and Colusa Avenues, El Cerrito. Private Interment at Sunset View Cemetery. Contributions to the Salvation Army or your favorite charity. **SUNSET VIEW MORTUARY/CEMETERY** 525-5111

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By Fern Luoma

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"If there is any one main emphasis in the grooming shop, it's making sure the animals are comfortable, happy and enjoy the experience," Hass emphasized. She has a reputation for handling difficult

and generic pets, making them feel comfortable and calm during their stay. Many of Hass's referrals are from local veterinarians who know how caring she is with animals.

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Those wishing to reserve space should contact the Chamber of Commerce office as soon as possible, as space is filling rapidly. Discount coupons are not accepted. The

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other inquiries.

Valuable information is included in the publication, as well as the listing of businesses. Demographics, Albany City Hall information, listing of important phone numbers often called, non-profit organizations' listings and many more general-interest information are included in the book that is kept near phones for quick reference.

Oct. 18 is the deadline for ad reservations; however, the ad spaces may be filled by then. To assure space, one needs to phone 525-1771 soon.

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Michelle Ackerman, Adam Bier, Jorah Dannenberg, Elisa Gassel, Genevieve Graves, Joyce Guan, Erin Hess, Deborah Im, Eden King, Yasi Perera, David Riffer and Nathaniel Rudiak-Gould are

all semifinalists in the 1997 Merit Scholarship Competition.

More than one million students entered the competition by taking the PSAT/NMSQT in 1995. The top 5 percent of these students earned "commended" status.

Only 15,000 high school students nationwide were named as semifinalists.

"We are extremely proud of all of these students. Receiving commendations or continuing on as an NMSQT semifinalist is a tribute to these students and their scholarship," said Dr. Virginia Behm, Principal of Albany High.

El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce

Round-up Sale Days and Fiesta coming

Plans for the city-wide Round-Up Sale Days and the first annual October Fiesta — to be held here simultaneously in late October — are well underway.

Round-Up Sale Days are sponsored by the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce twice each year to promote the growth of local business.

Set for Oct. 17 through the 20th, the public will be able to learn of the special values being offered by means of a special sale supplement which will be delivered to the regular circulation of Family Fair, The Journal and the Berkeley Voice.

Those wishing to advertise in the sale insert may arrange to do so by contacting Bill Slenker at Family Fair, 237-7777.

Joining the Chamber of Commerce so far as sponsors of the

first annual El Cerrito October Fiesta are Mechanics Bank, PetVet/Petfood, East Bay Sanitary Company, and the West County Times.

Organized by the Chamber to promote business and to establish an event which will enhance the image of the city through the years, the Fiesta will be held in the mall area of El Cerrito Plaza from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 19 and 20.

Open to the public, free of charge, the Fiesta will feature continuous entertainment, special events, children's activities, as well as food and craft booths.

Reservations for booth space are still being taken. Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Chamber of Commerce office at 10848 San Pablo Ave. or by telephoning 233-7040.

Redevelopment

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ment Agency cannot issue TRANS, but the city can.

Using TRANS means that no revenue is taken out of the city's general fund for redevelopment expenses. The Redevelopment Agency pays the city for the use of money with interest, so the city actually makes some money.

Redevelopment projects generate sales tax revenue that is separate from the property tax revenue I have discussed above. The sales tax revenue goes into the city's general fund. It does not go to the Redevelopment Agency. This means that over time the city's general fund gains from a redevelopment project because of the increase in sales tax revenue.

For example, the Target store brings into the city's general fund \$245,000 a year in sales tax revenue. Prior to the Target store the sales tax revenue from the same land was only \$21,770. That means that each year Target yields \$223,230 more in revenue to the city than we would have gotten from what was on the site before that date. The PDG development is projected to yield \$170,000 a year in sales tax revenue (excluding Petfood Express) from parcels that generated no sales tax revenue at all to the city.

The private sector also operates in a similar way. For example, we all know that the price we pay for a newspaper at the newsstand or through a subscription does not come near to paying for the cost of producing the paper or giving the newspaper a profit. The newspaper uses advertising to pay for the cost of the paper and to generate the profit for the company. Without advertising subsidizing the cost of the paper, no one could afford to buy a newspaper.

Similarly, redevelopment's tax increment financing provides the method for converting commercial property that is generating little or no sales tax revenue into commercial enterprises that yield much more in sales tax revenue for the benefit of our general fund.

I have tried to give a short synopsis of the basic features of redevelopment. Readers should feel free to call me to discuss redevelopment issues in more detail or to ask me questions about redevelopment. If I cannot answer the questions, I will get someone from the city staff who can.

CRUSHED!

EC shows its might beating ACCAL Powerhouse Panthers

John Gardella

Last season, when undefeated El Cerrito High St. Mary's to decide the division championship. Running back Antoine Lacy entered the game carrying 105 yards per contest. That night, however, Lacy would have had an easier time penetrating Fort Knox than he did getting through the Panthers' front line. The then-junior managed just six carries on seven carries, the rest of the Gauchos was equally ineffective, and SM escaped El Cerrito with a 14-8 win and the divisional crown. Last year as heads were too big, "the running back said, 'We found out we have to win as a whole team.'"

When the two teams met in Berkeley Saturday, the Panthers knew they were in for a drag-out, no-holds-barred fight. Throw out the gaudy stats from their previous two blowout wins. You play St. Mary's and you come easily.

There were a lot of parallels between this meeting and last year's game that probably made EC coach Mike Milio nervous. The Panthers neutralized EC's offense. The Panthers offensive line was dominating the trenches.

Last year, EC's all-league lineman David Poole left the game early with an injury. This time, it was two-time star Lamont Thompson exiting after the game's first play when he aggravated a slight sprain suffered last week's game.

"We are basically the same team from last year," said. "We knew what we had to do."

But when Panther running back Kwamin Taylor stepped in for a four-yard touchdown and Benancio's 2-point run gave SM an 8-0 lead late in the quarter, the Gauchos may have wondered if they would ever be able to beat the team that has knocked

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SM's Paki Gordon (#8) has nowhere to go, nowhere to hide against EC defense.

Jeff Lindquist

Cougars' goal is certain; state title or bust



Jeff Lindquist, File 1995

Lindsey Kagawa, one of the nation's top recruits, has high expectations. She is one of six returning seniors.

By Mac Montandon

Last year's Albany High girls' volleyball went 32-5, and 12-0 in the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League. This year's team is better, according to coach Konrad Ott.

How do you improve on 12-0? You win the State Championship, of course.

"All four years I've been here our goal has been to win the league title, the North Coast Section title, the CIF Northern California championships, and the state title," Ott said after last Monday's practice.

This may be the season that Ott's ambitious goal is realized, as Albany returns six players from a team that a year ago came within two wins of reaching the State Championship. The six seniors have played together for four years, and each of them are sought by many prominent college teams.

The illustrious role call reads like this: Lindsey Kagawa, Megan Meyer, Sara Ness, Libby Sanger, Karen Sillers, and Lindsay Watty.

Added to this powerful lineup are five girls from last year's junior varsity: Yolanda Hagar, Lauren Mack, Mia Narelli, Elizabeth Watty, and Maria Zupo. Highly regarded junior transfer Charity Harbo fills out the imposing Cougar squad, which in-

cludes nine players at or near six feet tall. Ott spoke excitedly about this year's team. He considers them an exceptional group of athletes.

"Last year we had a great team, no question," Ott said, "but the big difference this year is depth. Last year there were times when I'd look down the bench and not be able to make the substitution I wanted to. I have 100% confidence in every member of this team. Depth is key, and we have a lot of depth."

Early in the season, Ott has kept at least one eye firmly fixed on the future. The future is mid-November when the post-season begins. Realizing the ACCAL will be significantly weakened by the departure of Bishop O'Dowd (the Lady Dragons moved to the HAAL), Ott scheduled several tough non-league matches to open the year. Additionally, Ott has let his younger players see a lot of action, anticipating that when the matches really matter, his squad will be ready.

The result of these several considerations is the Cougars' 8-4 mark heading into their league

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Jacket's dumped on late date in Stockton

By Mac Montandon

Playing a game which was not on their original schedule, Berkeley football might wish it had taken the week off as planned. Then again, when a team is trying to evaluate its progress, every game is worth playing.

Even if that sometimes means being knocked around a bit.

The Yellowjackets were invited by Franklin-Stockton High to fill up a bye week in their schedule last Friday.

The invitation was the last hospitable gesture host Franklin made as it went on to punish an undermanned Berkeley squad, 48-8.

"We were missing four key guys, and they are undefeated, but I hope this is something of a wake-up call for our kids," coach Joe Martin said.

Playing their third straight road game, the Yellowjackets were further disadvantaged when senior running back Dante Marsh transferred to McClymonds last week. Apparently Marsh moved recently, and his new address falls in the McClymonds' area.

"He had to relocate," Martin explained, "so he had to move on. It's tough because I had grown really close to the kid. I'm glad to see he played well in his first game for McClymonds."

Berkeley, conversely, did not play well enough to stay with a powerful Franklin team. The Jackets could not contain running backs Larry McDonald and Tim Wyrick of Franklin. McDonald ran 16 times for 120 yards with two touchdowns, and Wyrick reeled off 96 yards on nine carries, including two TDs in the second-half.

McDonald opened the scoring by bursting 20 yards with 5:12 left in the first quarter to put Franklin up 7-0. When Wyrick raced 65 yards for a score midway through the second-half, it was 41-0 Franklin.

Berkeley running back Devin Martin remained a bright spot for the Jackets. He finished with 159 yards on 31 carries, and scored the only Berkeley touchdown. Martin has rushed for over 100 yards in all three games this year.

Berkeley fell to 1-2 with the loss. It was their second straight road game against an unbeaten opponent. The Jackets play another undefeated team tomorrow afternoon when they finally come home to face, you guessed it, McClymonds.

"It's strange to have our first home game this late in the season," said coach Martin, "but it's definitely going to feel good to come home."

Berkeley did receive some good news last week when it was announced that their home field will soon have lights. The school board as well as the City Council approved a plan to have the lights in place by January 1, 1997, according to Berkeley athletic director Lloyd Higgins.

Higgins said the lights will only be required for football in the fall, and soccer in the winter, as spring sports generally end around 7 p.m., before it gets too dark.

The Yellowjackets' football team has only three scheduled home games this year, but Martin expects them to have several more next fall. He said he is excited for his team, as the lights will enable friends and family to see more of their games.

QB Zeier's monster day is not enough to save Albany

By Mac Montandon

Albany football picked itself up and nearly overcame a 20-0 halftime deficit at Alameda High last Saturday.

In one of the most remarkable plays of the young season, offensive lineman Doug Sims caught a falling Billy Zeier as he broke away from the line of scrimmage late in the third quarter.

Sims righted Zeier, allowing the junior quarterback to complete a 91 yard touchdown run. That score pulled the Cougars to within six points at 26-20, with 1:02 left in the third quarter.

That was as close as they'd get, as the Hornets held off the Albany charge, prevailing 34-28.

The Cougars' last chance slipped away when a fumbled snap prevented them from taking advantage of a possession that started at the Alameda 38 yard line with 4:52 left in the game. Too many turnovers and penalties kept the Cougars from coming all the way back.

The loss left frustrated Albany

coach Anthony Freeman searching for answers to why his team is 0-3, when, with a little luck, they could be 2-1. Freeman could have blamed Saturday's result on injuries — key starters Theo Jerome and Jermaine Land sat out — but looked elsewhere instead.

"We played a good second half," Freeman said, "but turnovers and penalties killed us. We had the momentum, but we had too many mistakes. That's two straight weeks we had the game and let it go."

Against St. Mary's a week earlier Albany led 22-14 at halftime, but faded in the second half and lost 28-22.

Saturday, it was the opening act that gave the Cougars trouble. They responded with a moving performance after intermission, however, providing some drama on a hot, windless day.

Playing the hero

Playing the hero all afternoon, Zeier finished with 172 yards passing, completing 12 of 24 attempts.

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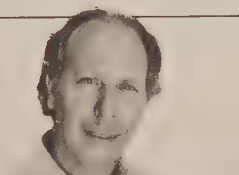
All in the family for Mark McGwire

This is the story of a family. It is appropriate to tell it now as the season is over for the Oakland A's. The story is about generations of McGwire — John McGwire, his son who earns his bread hitting home runs for the Oakland A's. Mark's eight-year-old son, Matthew, who does not live with his father, but who has had fulltime baseball since he was a year old.

This story has a thread of baseball running through it. It's about how the McGwire men are connected through baseball, although the thread goes way beyond that.

When Mark McGwire hit his 50th home run Sept. 14 in Oakland, becoming only the 11th player to homer 50 times in a season, he dedicated the home run to Matthew.

The gesture was appropriate and symmetrical. McGwire was a rookie in



LOWELL COHN

1987, he left the A's in Chicago before the last game of the season to fly back to California for Matthew's birth. He had 49 homers. McGwire never questions his decision. "I gave up the chance for 50 to see my first-born," he said.

At the time it didn't seem like a big deal to sacrifice that one home run. The 49 had come so easily he was sure he'd have opportunities for 50. But bad

heels and a bad back robbed him of games year after year. He missed 23 games to injury this season, a foot and back, but he didn't let that get in his way.

When McGwire reached the high 40s, he told himself, "I have my first opportunity for 50 since 1987 when I had Matthew. This will be Matthew's ball." And it was. On Sept. 16, the A's had an off-day. McGwire traveled to his son's home in Southern California to hand-deliver the ball.

"Matthew acted like I would," McGwire said. "I could tell he was happy. But he didn't show that he was overjoyed. Deep down inside he knows how special it is."

So McGwire once missed a 50th home run because of his son, and then he hit a 50th for his son.

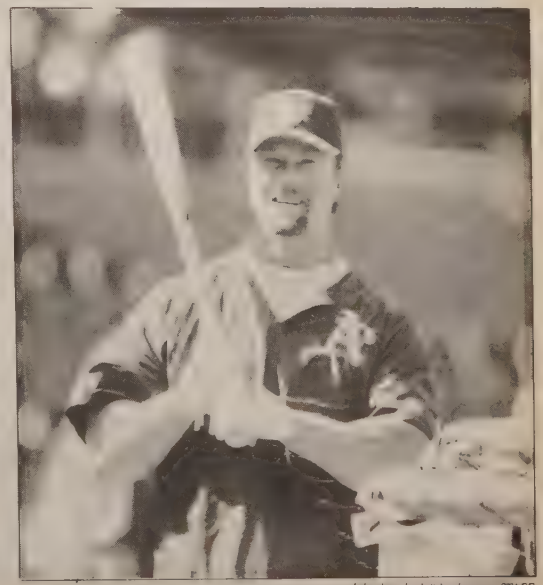
The day he delivered the ball, McGwire asked to see Matthew's favorite baseball card. Of course, it

was a Mark McGwire. McGwire held the card in his hands, stared at the name of the player. "This is so weird," he told his son. "It should say 'Dad.' It should say that instead of Mark McGwire."

Not that McGwire is sad about the situation, his son living in someone else's house. "In the winter I see him every day," McGwire said. "He's happy. He's not been hurt by the divorce. He knows there are no hard feelings between his mom and me."

McGwire, in fact, remains friends with his former wife, Cathy. Of Cathy's husband, McGwire says, "He's such a nice guy I could hang out with him. We've played golf. We've had dinner. We're friends."

OK, that was a glimpse of McGwire, the father. Now for McGwire, the son. McGwire finished the season with 52 home



File photo by J. Lindquist — STAFF

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McGwire's 52 home runs put him in good company.

Cal's 'second season' starts Saturday against No. 16 USC

By John Gardella

Cal coach Steve Mariucci knows Saturday's game against USC is the start of his team's second season. Say what he will about Cal's first four opponents, the first-year coach is aware the Bears will finally have a barometer to measure themselves against.

But the Trojans (3-1), who had national championship aspirations before dropping their season opener to Penn State, will also use this game as a measuring stick. Coming off a bye week, the Trojans are ranked No. 16, having won three straight games in convincing fashion since the loss to the Nittany Lions; although, none of those opponents have been the caliber of the Bears.

"We stunk it up against Penn State," Trojans coach John Robinson said. "I think we just kind of had some stage fright with some of the young people. But we've gotten better. Obviously, we have not played any real tough opponents since then. We had a lot of respect for Houston. We've come

on with the young people who haven't played before."

Like Cal (4-0), the Trojans are a young team. "This is the youngest team I've ever coached in terms of young players playing in a front-line role and in a backup role. Our offensive line has two sophomore tackles, a freshman center a junior guard who's never played before."

Still, Cal's defense, especially its doughy secondary, will get tested often with USC's high-powered offense. "Our quarterback (Brad Otton) is doing well," Robinson said. "He really has the ability to see blitzes and respond to them."

Like Cal, the Trojans' defense will get challenged by the Bears' "West Coast" offense.

"They're (Bears) a wide open group," Robinson said of Cal's offense. "(That type of offense) has taken over the country. If you can't stop the big play, that's all you see anymore. In the old days, teams would pound you and control the football and maybe humiliate you 28-7. Now, it's a 135-7. Cal's had good balance offensively, so they

are a little frightening when you put the film on and see them."

Robinson, however, is confident in his team's ability to contain Pat Barnes & Co., the Pac-10's top offense.

"Our defense has gotten stronger, although this weekend we'll be without three defensive players who have been suspended," Trojans coach John Robinson said, referring to the suspension of four USC players for violating the NCAA's "extra benefits" rule. "We're a defensive team that hasn't given up a lot of big plays, and I'll think we'll continue to grow as a defense."

The four players — defensive tackle Darrell Russell, linebacker Sammy Knight, safety Brian Kelly and wide receiver Larry Parker — exchanged USC-issued shoes at Nike Town for other shoes and personal apparel.

Saturday's outcome will depend on which side stops the big play more often. And the team that gets the big play most will have a clearer idea of where it fits within the conference and national scene.

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Men's water polo

The No. 3 ranked California men's water polo team (5-1) defeated Pacific, 10-5, and UC Santa Barbara, 14-5, last week on road trips to Stockton and Santa Barbara. Versus Pacific Sept. 26, the Bears were led by senior Baran Dilaver's three goals, and two goals apiece from junior Peter Stern and freshman Albert Won.

Against UC Santa Barbara Sept. 29, Cal top scorers included Won and senior Riki Krumins, with three goals apiece. So far this season, Dilaver is the Bears leading scorer with 11 goals, followed by sophomore Ryan Flynn with nine goals.

Sophomore goalie Peter Kiefer is doing a solid job with 40 saves in 175 minutes of actions. The Bears travel to Long Beach State Friday, then face No. 2 ranked USC on Saturday in L.A. The Trojans have handed the Bears their only defeat this season, beating Cal, 8-5, in the semifinals of the Southern California Tournament Sept. 15.

Men's soccer

The ninth-ranked Cal men's soccer team suffered its first setback of the season, falling to San Jose State, 4-2, Tuesday, Sept. 24 in San Jose. The usually fast starting Bears got off to a slow start in the match and San Jose put up two goals in the first half while the Spartan goalie held Cal scoreless.

In the second half, San Jose increased its lead to 4-0. Cal mounted a comeback late in the match as they scored twice on goals just 39 seconds apart by J.V. Ganal and Matt Newmark. However, time ran on the Bears as they

fell, 4-2.

The Bears bounced back from the loss, posting a 3-0 victory over Azusa Pacific in Berkeley last Friday.

Cal's offense was back in top form as it started off the scoring on a textbook corner kick in the first half. Adam Hunter headed the corner kick to senior Steve Rullo who beat the Cougar goalkeeper with a head shot of his own. The second half was all Cal. Hunter recorded his second assist of the game on a J.V. Ganal goal in the 51st minute. Then it was Peyton Leeke receiving a pass from Raul Ornelas and dribbling around a defender, eventually beating the goalie to the lower left corner of the goal. Cal freshman keeper Doug Brooks continued to play well and recorded his fifth shutout in 10 games.

Field hockey

The California field hockey team (2-5) fell to Stanford, 2-1, Sept. 28 at Stanford. It was the Bears first loss of the season against NorPac competition as they go to 1-1 in conference play. Sophomore Kathy Fouts scored Cal's lone goal of the match with 6:30 left in the second period. The Bears next host Saint Louis, Saturday, at 1 p.m. at Kleeberger Field on the Cal campus.

Women's soccer

The 21st ranked Cal women's soccer team (6-1-1) travels to southern California this week to face USC and UC Irvine. The Bears are led in scoring by freshman Kim Brown, who has accumulated 14 points on six goals and two assists. But what is most remarkable about her total is that she has done

it with just 12 shots on net. Her home match is Friday, Oct. 4, when the Bears host Arizona at 2 p.m. in Field.

Women's volleyball

The Cal women's volleyball team (3-7-0-4) snapped a five-game losing streak with a 3-0 win over Utah State Sept. 24.

The Bears then suffered two tough Pac-10 losses at home in five games to 18th-ranked Stanford on Sept. 27 and 10th-ranked Long Beach State Sept. 28. Against the Long Beach team, Cal's Michelle Wickman knocked out three service aces. With the team with 2.74 kills per set while junior Jessica Dinsmore team in digs per game (2.0) second in kill average (2.0) only match this week is at Stanford at 7 p.m. this Friday.

Women's golf

The California women's golf team finished in eighth place at the Northwest Invitational, Sunriver, Oregon. The Bears a 979 team score over the tournament, while host Oregon finished at 922.

Cal finished 13th at this tournament last season. Incoming Bears were led by freshman Yamane who shot a 25-over-par finishing 20 strokes behind Kylie Wilson of Oregon (22) and Elise Echeverria and Eden Anderson tied for 33rd, both shooting a 30-over-par.



Jeff Lindquist

EC's Antoine Lacy scores on an 86-yard punt return, one of his two TDs.

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them out of playoff contention each of the past two years.

In stepped Lacy to alleviate any doubts.

His 86-yard punt return for a touchdown finally put EC on the board with 6:53 remaining in the half and inspired the Gauchos (3-0) to a 33-8 thrashing of their nemesis.

"Lacy's punt return changed the momentum for us," Milo said.

"Our heads were down after they scored, but we knew we had to go out and do the job," Lacy said. "Every time I get the ball, I'm thinking I have

to make something happen. And my fullback (Eddie Dyer) does an excellent job of blocking for me."

On EC's next possession, Lacy again broke a big special-teams play when he returned a punt 39 yards to SM's 45, setting up fullback Eddie Dyer's four-yard score, giving EC a 12-6 lead.

The senior wasn't finished. On the first play of the second stanza, Lacy eluded defenders and broke a tackle on his way to a 68-yard touchdown run around the right end, giving EC a 19-8 lead.

Lacy dissected the Panther defense for 190 yards on 15 carries and two

touchdowns. He had punt returns of 86 and 39 yards, and he single-handedly deflated SM's hopes of upsetting the Gauchos.

"Their (Panthers) defense was hitting hard and my offensive line was hitting hard," Lacy said. "When that happens someone has to let up. I knew it wouldn't be us."

The senior hasn't let up all season. He has scored seven touchdowns while averaging 184 yards rushing, including a career-best 194 in EC's season-opening win over Ukiah.

With Lacy's help, EC has beaten its opponents by an average score of 45-16.

Zeier

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He also ran for 191 yards on 12 carries and scored three TDs. Zeier even caught a 20 yard touchdown pass from running back Bruce Roberts with 6:39 left in the game, on a perfectly designed option play.

"We played with emotion in the second half," Freeman said. "Billy (Zeier) played with all his heart."

Unfortunately for the Cougars, hearts can't make tackles. Their inability to bring down Alameda running back Shaun Bryson eventually took the fight out of their defense. Bryson broke free for 233 yards on 25 carries, and 3 touchdowns. His second half scoring runs of 49 and 53 yards deflated a pumped up Albany defense.

Cougar defenders still managed to

force three Hornet fumbles on the day. Roberts kept the game scoreless midway through the second quarter, when he recovered an Alameda fumble at the Albany one foot line.

Linebacker Wesley Watts played with inspired intensity, particularly in the second-half. Watts could be heard encouraging his teammates to believe in a comeback throughout the final two quarters.

When Zeier wasn't running for scores or making tackles, he was finding a trio of receivers for clutch catches. Roberts caught five Zeier throws for 52 yards, Cory Bell made three catches for 84 yards, and Chris Pierce had three receptions totaling 38 yards.

But for all Zeier's heroics — with Sims as his straightening man — and the entire team's determined second half

effort, Alameda was the squad emerging with an unblemished record.

The Hornets are 2-0, and 1-0 in the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League. Saturday's game was their league opener.

It doesn't get any easier for the bruised bunch from Albany. Tomorrow afternoon the Cougars play host to undefeated league power El Cerrito (3-0, 2-0 ACCAL).

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runs, and only seven men have hit more in a season. But McGwire might never have reached that number, might have accumulated zero if it weren't for his own father.

During spring training when McGwire was hobbling around the clubhouse on crutches, telling himself "Damn, I've got to go through rehab again," he phoned his father and said he might quit. John McGwire set him straight. "It would be a big mistake," he said. "You have a lot left in your career. Prove to everyone you can come back from an injury, three years of the same thing."

McGwire listened carefully, and not just because he's a dutiful son. Whatever trouble McGwire had

walking was nothing compared to what his father had endured since the age of seven. That was when he contracted polio. John McGwire is a successful dentist, but he wears a brace on his leg and requires a cane. Listening to his father, McGwire suddenly perceived his own pain as trivial. By the time he hung up, he'd decided to keep playing.

"He never let the polio get in his way," McGwire said. "He never complained. Sometimes a father will say to me, 'You're my son's idol.' I say, 'No. You should be his idol.' It's the way I grew up. It's the right way."

After night games, the light on McGwire's answering machine will be blinking. A message from his dad. "He always treats me like I'm a 10-year-old," McGwire said,

laughing. "He leaves these drawn-out messages filled with advice. They're the calls to his father. I feel like calling him saying, 'Dad, I'm 32 years old.'"

Actually, McGwire turned today, but there's still a kid in him. He feels "blown away" by the class of Babe Ruth or Willie as a home-run hitter, says a "mind-boggling."

It's as if there are two McGwires: the player and the fan. "I'm of person who likes to sit on the back of the class and not get noticed," he said shyly. "These home runs it's like jumping forward."

He lapsed into thought. "I know what," he said, "my dad exactly the same way." Family.

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opener last Tuesday at St. Elizabeth. It is a very respectable 8-4, as Albany kept some prestigious company throughout September.

The tournament featured 12 of the top teams in northern California. Albany's lone defeat came against Lyndon High School, which was runner up last season in the Division IV State Championship.

Albany also participated in the Davis Invitational, where you must be among the 40 top teams in the state to receive an invitation. Ott said his team finished in 12th or 13th place in Davis. Where they ended up was not the point of the trip.

"It was a good opportunity to give the younger kids early experience," Ott said Monday, "so come November we will be stronger as a team."

While the Cougar's intentions this season will be the same as last year, and the same as they have been since Ott took over the program four years ago, one thing will be different. Over the off-season Albany moved from Division IV to Division II.

The Divisions are determined by school size. A committee ruled re-

cently that Albany qualified for Division II size.

The change in division won't affect Albany's league schedule, but will alter who the Cougars must compete with in the various playoffs.

Should the Cougars reach the North Coast Section playoffs, their toughest matches would likely come against Castro Valley, Redwood Christian, or College Park. In the Nor Cal playoffs they would have to

contend with defending Division II state champion St. Francis.

One quickly forgets about speculation, however, when on a roll talking about basketball.

"When we have all 12 practice, it's something to go six on six," Ott beams. "Younger kids can keep up. I know we won't have a power."

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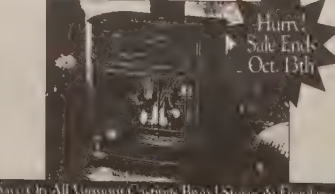
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Sacred Music, Sacred Dance' from Tibet

Lamas in India and Georgia strive to keep their ancient traditions intact.

Carol Egan

Beginning yesterday and continuing through Tuesday, Cal Per... offers a residency featuring the Tibetan lamas of the Loseling Monastery in the Mystical Arts of Tibet: Sacred Music, Sacred Dance."

The monks began yesterday with the construction of a mandala at the University of California Berkeley Museum (now renamed the University of California Museum). They conclude the evening of music and dance at 8 p.m. next Tuesday at Zellerbach Hall.

The Drepung Loseling Monastery, Tibet's largest and most important spiritual institution, was founded near Lhasa in 1416. After the Chinese invasion of Tibet in 1959, when monasteries were destroyed or forced to close, many monks fled to Nepal and India. Some 250 monks from the monastery have rebuilt their institution in India.

In the mid-1980s the dalai lama suggested to the monastic community that they make a greater contribution to the world, and in 1987 the Drepung Loseling Monastery established an American branch in Mineral Bluff, Ga. The ancient and mystical art of sand painting, as practiced by Tibetan lamas, is used to produce healing power. Conducted by four lamas of the monastery, yesterday's program featured chant, music and mantra recitation.

At 7 p.m. tonight, His Eminence Tokden Rinpoche, foremost specialist in the tradition of Tibetan Tantric arts, will give a lecture on the symbolism of the mandala.

At 8 p.m. Sunday the mandala construction concludes with the distribution of the sand to the public and the stream.

The process of creating this intricate design, painstakingly constructed with millions of grains of colored sand, will take place in Gallery B of the University of California Museum and will be open to the public during regular museum hours.

Monday night's concert of music and dance features the lamas performing 12 selections. The Drepung Loseling Monastery is particularly known for its multiphonic singing, the



Lamas from Drepung Loseling Monastery, in exile from Tibet, keep their arts and religious traditions intact.

ability to simultaneously intone three notes—a tradition also called "overtone singing." The lamas will also present music performed on traditional instruments (including the 10-foot *dunchen*

trumpet) and dances in colorful costumes and masks.

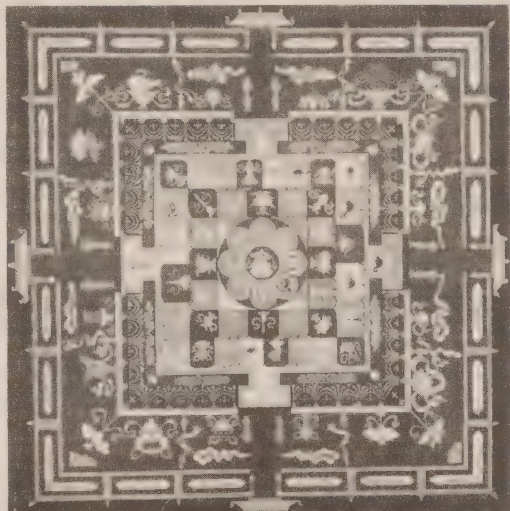
The performance will try to recreate ancient ceremonies which Tibetans believe help bring about environmental, social and

personal healing. One of the most famous of these ceremonies is "Mani Ramdu," which takes place over three weeks and is held annually at the end of November. The name derives from the words of a chant, "om mani padme hum" (jewel of the lotus).

In Nepal, where many Tibetan monks fled following the Chinese invasion, the annual four-day ritual of Mani Ramdu attracts Tibetans, sherpas and followers of Tantric Buddhism from abroad. While the lamas prepare little dough balls, over which they have said their prayers, their followers, bearing gifts wrapped in white scarves, arrive and camp out in the monastery.

Day 1 is a kind of rehearsal for the proceedings and consists of the monks practicing their dances. On the second day, the pilgrims present their gifts and receive, in turn, the dough balls, which have been blessed and are believed to contain intrinsic powers, and some drops of holy liquor.

The third day is the actual performance of the dances. Figures represented include benevolent gods and godlike persons. The monks perform these dances



A Tibetan mandala sand painting. They take days to construct; then they're destroyed in a moment.

Here are the events being presented by the monks of Drepung Loseling Monastery:

Mandala Sand Painting (through Sunday)
Gallery B, University Art Museum
2625 Durant Ave., Berkeley

Consecration of the gallery (took place yesterday)
Lecture by Tokden Rinpoche — 7 p.m. tonight

Closing Ceremony — 3 p.m. Sunday
General admission to the museum is \$6; it is free on Thursdays from 11 a.m. to noon and from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. (which includes the lecture by Tokden Rinpoche). For more information, call 642-0808.

Discussion with Geshe Lobsang Tenzin on Mystical Arts of Tibet
7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8,
Zellerbach Hall, UC-Berkeley

The lecture is free to ticketholders to the following concert.
Sacred Music, Sacred Dance: The Mystical Arts of Tibet
8 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 8, Zellerbach Hall, UC-Berkeley
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while visualizing the gods they represent, becoming therefore more godlike in the process. This ceremony lasts about 12 hours and includes some comic dances which depict stories containing a moral.

The ceremony concludes on the fourth day with a huge bonfire in the center of the courtyard. It is seen as purifying the ritual and sending the spirit of Buddhism to the entire world.

Although the ritual is condensed to one evening for the local audience, many of the works being presented are consid-

ered important for their healing powers (such as the "Nyen-sen" or Invocation of the Forces of Goodness) and ability to eliminate negative energy ("Sha-nak Gar-cham" or Dance of the Black Hat Masters).

The "Sacred Music, Sacred Dance Tour," which has been blessed by the dalai lama, has three purposes: to make a contribution to world healing and peace movements, to generate greater awareness of the endangered Tibetan civilization, and to raise support for the refugee community in India.

East Bay Events



Richard Blair
I Ketut Kodi performs "Topeng" (masked dance) with Gamelan Sekar Jaya on Saturday.

Balinese music and dance

Gamelan Sekar Jaya, the El Cerrito-based troupe that may be the best-known exponent of Balinese theater and music outside of Bali itself, presents a concert led by Balinese musicians who have just arrived to perform with the troupe during the next year. The 35-member gamelan orchestra will be directed by **I Wayan Sinti**, one of Bali's most distinguished musicians. It will be joined by three dancers, including **I Ketut Kodi**, whose specialty is masked dance.

The performance is at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Julia Morgan Theater, 2640 College Ave., Berkeley. Tickets are \$12 (\$10 seniors/students, \$6 children under 13). Call (415) 392-4400 for reservations. Call 237-6849 for more details on the concert.

Thoth, Freelance and Wavy Gravy

In a benefit for the **Cannabis Buyers' Club**, the ensemble **Thoth** (exotic music for dance and listening), the Native-American band **Freelance** (an eclectic mix drawing from rock, blues and jazz), comedian **Wavy Gravy** (a clown from the psychedelic '60s) will entertain at 8:30 p.m. tonight at Ashkenaz.

Also appearing will be CBC founder **Denis Peron** and **Brownie Mary**, who will talk about Proposition 215, legalizing medical use of marijuana in the state.

Admission is on a sliding scale from \$5 to \$15. Ashkenaz is at 1317 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. Call 525-5054 for more details.

'Ireland's foremost family of song'

The brothers **Shay** and **Michael Black**, members of what has been called Ireland's foremost family of song, will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday at the UU Fellowship Hall. The brothers perform folk, traditional and contemporary music, accompanying themselves on banjo, guitar and keyboard, and with the help of **Brian Godchoux** on mandolin and fiddle.

Folksinger **Jessica Bryan** opens the show. Bryan will be accompanied by **Ed Sherry**.

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Atmosphere missing in film recreation of Manhattan Project

■ 'Infinity' brings a physicist's memoirs to the screen.

By Renata Polt

Richard Feynman was a Nobel laureate in physics who worked at Los Alamos, N.M., developing the atomic bomb. He was also a popularizer of science, a devoted practical joker, and the author of two books of memoirs, *Surely You're Joking, Mr. Feynman!* and *What Do You Care What Other People Think?* It's from parts of these two books that Matthew Broderick, star and director, and his mother, Patricia Broderick, the scriptwriter, have created the film *Infinity*.

Among the hardest kinds of films to make are ones about creative people—writers, painters, etc. You can show a writer at the typewriter (or, now, computer) or a painter at the easel, but how do you really portray the creative process?

The problem applies in spades to abstract thinkers like physicists. How do you make a film about a physicist?

Very carefully.

Which is just how Broderick has gone about it.

Over and over, he shows Richard Feynman (Broderick) illustrating scientific and mathematical principles: in a math competition against an abacus-wielding Chinese merchant, in an attempt to explain nuclear fission using peanuts and olives, in a discussion of infinity with a little boy.

But *Infinity*, the movie, deals also with Richard's love for his first wife, Arline (Patricia Arquette). Their idyllic romance, first in high school, then during Feynman's college years, turns problematical when Arline becomes ill. When she's diagnosed—first with typhoid fever, then glandular fever, then Hodgkin's Disease, finally tuberculosis (you wonder at the ineptitude of the doctors and why nobody seems to get upset with them)—Richard's parents object

to his marrying her. He does anyway.

When Richard joins the Manhattan Project, which is what the construction of the atomic bomb in Los Alamos was originally called, Arline moves to an Albuquerque hospital where Richard visits her every weekend.

As a director, Matthew Broderick still has a ways to go.

I've always been fascinated with the Los Alamos project, its offices and laboratories located in a former boys' boarding school on an isolated mesa, the country's most brilliant scientists working in a *Magic Mountain* setting.

The TV film *Trinity* captured the atmosphere well; *Infinity* doesn't. The Los Alamos segments smell of low budget; there are fine shots of the New Mexico landscape ("It's like being in the movies, not at them," says Richard), but the sparse interiors have the look of a cramped set.

As for the characters, they're likable and played with admirable understatement. The actors do well, too, with their Brooklyn accents. However, Broderick doesn't convince us that he's the Richard Feynman who is described as "nervous" and who goes out into the New Mexico woods in the middle of the night to beat a drum.

How a film gets directed has always seemed like magic to me: Putting all the pieces in place, giving them life, making them move—it's a godlike endeavor. Matthew Broderick hasn't quite got it down yet. Parts of *Infinity* are moving, but the whole is static.

Some of the blame goes to the scriptwriter and the editor, but the director has to take charge of these things, too. As a director, Matthew Broderick still has a ways to go.

Bruce Seymour retells the romantic story of Lola Montez

Biographer falls under Lola's spell

'Lola Montez, A Life' by Bruce Seymour (Yale University Press, \$30)

By Barbara L. Sloane

How does a biographer tell the life story of a woman who was notorious for fabricating her exploits and even the simplest facts of her life? This was the task confronting Bruce Seymour when he undertook his exploration into the incredible life of Lola Montez, a woman as famous, or infamous, in the mid-19th century as Madonna is today.

Seymour, a Piedmont resident, is a lawyer and independent scholar. He admits that he may be "Lola's final victim, seduced by charms that transcend time." That seduction held him enthralled for more than four years as he traveled from the United States to Europe to Asia to Australia, studying voluminous materials, often unpublished, in his attempt to reveal the "real" Lola Montez.

The result is a meticulously researched, engagingly written biography of a fascinating woman with great beauty and minor talents who was able to enchant thousands and bring about a king's downfall.

Proud, manipulative, rebellious, entrancing, intelligent, impulsive, courageous, beautiful, egocentric and above all independent—these adjectives were all used to describe Lola Montez.

The woman who earned her fame internationally as a Spanish dancer was born Eliza Gilbert in Limerick, Ireland, in 1820. Of course there is some question, as in all facts pertaining to Lola, as to the exact date of her birth. One of the great ironies of her life was that this woman who manipulated her age to suit the circumstances was buried under a tombstone in 1861 that declared her to be older than she was.

Eliza Gilbert would become

Eliza James with her first marriage at the age of 17. When that failed, the mysterious Maria Dolores de Porris y Montez emerged, and Lola Montez she remained from 1842 to the end of her life, when the tombstone would give her name as Mrs. Eliza Gilbert. In the intervening years she would also be named the Countess of Landsfeld and survive a short bigamous marriage as Mrs. Heald.

However, it was not the frequent name changes for which Montez was famous, but a lovely figure and face, which seemed to enchant even her most scathing critics. Her Spanish dances drew raves and pans across Europe. When she toured the United States in the 1850s, the newspaper reviews were typical of those she had received throughout her performance career.

On the one hand: "Lola Montez is not a good dancer. She makes very bad work of it and does not even exercise good taste in selecting the 'spider dance' as one of her performances; for that makes her appear disgusting as well as a miserable danseuse. In it she flounces about like a stuck pig, and clenches her short clothes, raising them nearly to her waist, while with a thin scrawny leg, she keeps a constant thumping upon the stage, as if she was in a slight spasm."

On the other hand: "Up to now we could never fathom how it was possible for her to achieve such limitless influence over King Ludwig, who otherwise was never mild or malleable. Now, since she worked her witchery



Lola Montez, born Eliza Gilbert, hastened the downfall of Bavaria's King Ludwig I, then became the toast of Gold Rush San Francisco.

Montez wrote blistering letters to editors and used her whip on booing audiences.

before us on the stage, we are fully convinced that poor Louis could not have mounted any resistance. Her expressions and gestures were completely admirable...."

The "witchery" she performed on King Ludwig I of Bavaria was what made Lola known throughout the world. From the first time he saw her dance during the Munich Oktoberfest in 1846 in a play ironically titled "The Enchanted Prince," Ludwig was indeed enchanted.

Over the next 18 months the

formerly self-disciplined woman would bend to whims, showers with gifts and against the advice of court, honoring the title she coveted.

Author Seymour, the coeditor of a man collection of correspondence, Lola Montez, Ludwig, who him eminently to describe the events which Bavarian people the road to as Lola badwig for favoring the road to the lious atmosphere Europe in the would have ultimately to the overthrow, but leaves little that Lola's hastened his abdication.

By March 1848, Ludwig turned over his throne to his son, and Lola had fled Munich acting and dancing came her abroad to the United States and Australia.

A tour of the Gold Rush brought her to Grass Valley where she bought a home and actually lived for two years, reigning as the local celebrity.

In the last years of her life, Lola became a lecturer and author.

Nevertheless, as the story unfolds, the woman we meet is the one who wrote blistering letters to disapproving audiences, who fought her as an independent woman of her time. This is the woman who became the obsession of King Ludwig, thousands of fan author Bruce Seymour.

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John Sheridan's oil and acrylic 'The Night of Darwin,' part of the Emeryville Celebration of the Arts.

Emeryville Art Exhibition opens Friday

The 10th annual **Emeryville Art Exhibition** opens Friday at 6 p.m. with a gala public reception. It is open thereafter from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily through Oct. 27. It's located at 5717 Christie Ave. (formerly the Discovery Zone) in the Powell Street Plaza, Emeryville. Friday's reception features music by **David Berson/Bay Moods Quartet**.

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Oakland Ballet in Milhaud tribute

As part of Mills College's tribute to composer Darius Milhaud, the **Oakland Ballet** will perform excerpts from Bronislava Nijinska's ballet *Le Train Bleu* to Milhaud's score. The train is a famous one that took Parisians to the seaside, and the ballet explores their antics at the beach.

Also on the program is Milhaud's *D'un cahier inédit du journal d'Eugénie de Guérin* (1915) for soprano and piano; two works for woodwind, *La cheminée du roi René* (1939) and *Wind Quintet* (1973); and his Suite for Piano, Violin and Clarinet (1937).

Performing the ballet will be **Lara Deans Lowe**, **Abra Rudisill**, **Joral Schmalke** and **Sean France**. Instrumentalists include flutist **Angela Koregelos**, oboist **William Banovetz**, pianists **Belle Bulwinkle** and **Julie Steinberg**, and violinist **David Abel**. Soprano **Janet Holmes** plus several other graduate students will also perform.

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■ Martin Snapp

Alma Mater Knows Best: O.J. Simpson's civil trial is just getting under way, but the verdict is already in at his old high school, Galileo High in San Francisco.

Last Friday, the school changed the name of its football field from O.J. Simpson Field to George White Field.

(George White was the late Galileo football coach who died a few months after his retirement.)

Speaking of football fields, I was at Memorial Stadium on Saturday for the Cal-Oregon State game; and as it always does, it confirmed my belief that it's the most beautiful place in the country to see a football game.

Look eastward, and all you see is the Oakland Hills. Look westward, and all you see is the Bay. It's easy to understand why the late Professor Staten Edwards wanted to be buried there.

I was sitting next to my old sports editor at the Tribune, Bob Valli (Cal '52), who was there with his son, Rob (Cal '82), and his grandson, Matthew (Cal 2009).

Before he became the sports editor, Bob was the Trib's reporter on the Raiders beat, and it's scary how well this guy knows his football.

For instance, the Cal quarterback threw four interceptions, and each time — before he even let go of the ball! — Bob would say, "Uh oh, that's gonna be an interception." It was like sitting next to John Madden.

Aside from the fact that Bob is one of the world's nicest guys, it was a rare privilege to get an education from The Maestro.

Never Trust Anyone Over 20: Whew! I'm lucky this column is even here today.

Just as I was getting pushed up against deadline, my computer went kabooey.

Panic time. Frantically, I called all the computer stores in the area. But none of their experts could figure out what was wrong. But then I remembered that I belong to BMUG, the Berkeley Macintosh Users Group. And one of the many perks of membership is the right to tap into the BMUG Help Line.

The folks at BMUG took one look at me and turned me over to a 15-year-old named Aaron Siegel. My heart sunk. After all, he was just a kid, and all the high-priced grownups I had called had already struck out. But Aaron said he'd give it the old high school try. Wouldn't you know it? Presto! All fixed!

Which proves two things:

1. The 15-year-olds have already taken over the world. (But they'd better not rest on their laurels, because while I was at BMUG I also met a bunch of 13-year-olds who think of Aaron as an old man.)

2. If you own a Macintosh, you're nuts if you don't join BMUG.

One of the nasty little secrets of the computer revolution is that a lot of people have been left behind. It's all very well for yuppies to prattle about how great life is going to be when we all have laptops, but try telling that to poor people who can't afford them.

BMUG is trying to do something about that. It's collecting old computers and parts, refurbishing them, and donating them to low-income families.

"A lot of Mac Plusses and IIs" are still usable, even though they're not state-of-the-art anymore," says BMUG Development Director Colleen Miller. "Instead of selling them, it's often more profitable to donate them to us and take the tax deduction."

So far BMUG has placed refurbished computers with 10 deserving families. If you have an old Mac — or a cable, modem, memory chip, hard drive or whatever — call Miller at 549-2684, ext. 210, and she'll gladly take it off your hands. They could also use a pallet jack and some industrial metal shelving to help store the stuff while they're working on it.

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In Memoriam: Finally, a reluctant farewell to two great ladies whose passing has diminished us all.

The first is Gladys Sargent, who died Saturday. Football fans will cheer her as the feisty minority owner of the Oakland Raiders who refused to sell her stock when the team moved to L.A. And animal lovers will revere her memory as a tireless crusader for animal rights and the founder of Pets & Pals.

We also lost Virginia Champlin last week. She had so many claims to fame, I hardly know where to begin. Should I start by saying she was the wife of retired Municipal Court Judge Malcolm Champlin? Or that they lived in the last privately-owned home on Lake Merritt?

Or that her dad, John W. Pearson, was the model for that statue of naked men — known as the Mechanics Statue — at the corner of First and Market in San Francisco?

Or that she was, for seven decades, the heart and soul of Lincoln Child Center for abused and disturbed youngsters?

No, I'll just begin — and end — by quoting her longtime friend, Dennis Cavagnero: "She was a wonderful human being who will be missed by everyone who knew her."

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School

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to be an adverse relationship between the (district) consultants and the city," board candidate Bill Cain said, touching off a heated discussion on city/district relations.

In the most controversial example of that relationship came when Fire Chief McGinn, absent from the meeting, was essentially blamed for costing the district an extra \$150,000 to \$200,000 by requiring the district to either install fire sprinklers (which are not required by the state) or have Brighton Avenue designated a permanent red zone for emergency vehicle access only. The state will not approve school building plans until the local fire chief has approved them.

"We have to have the fire marshal sign off on access to the site. He won't sign off on it without the fire sprinklers. It really becomes a political issue for your community," district architect Ken Kirsh said.

Albany City Councilmember Thelma Rubin took that opportunity to ask the board to delay action on the declaration.

"There are some issues that could be worked out. Some of the statements made, putting the city in this bad light, are really distressing me. If there is blame it is certainly shared between both agencies," said Rubin, not speaking on behalf of the council.

School Boardmember Ed McManus said he couldn't find any real way around the chief's decision.

"I would support delaying this if I thought there were a chance of the chief reassessing his position, but I don't believe that to be the case. I've looked at if there are any

other remedies. The only one I know of is asking the City Council to terminate his employment and hire a new chief," McManus said, with school board Vice President Marsha Skinner quickly noting "that's a little out of our job description."

All of the one dozen public speakers urged the board to delay voting on the declaration.

Bob Blum and Ellen Hershey of the North Albany Neighborhood Association said their group has not had time to review the new proposals. Blum noted a disparity in spending \$90,000 to close off Behrens Street/Spokane Avenue at the El Cerrito border and only \$5,000 on mitigations directly affecting Albany residents on the project's southern end.

"I haven't heard that the city of Albany and school district have agreed on all the city (right of way) issues. That's a serious problem," he added.

Jacques Berchten reiterated his concern that plans are proceeding on the school before the district has approved a budget for bond projects or completed detailed seismic evaluations of school sites requiring retrofit work.

"To my knowledge you haven't done any of it and yet here you are ready to go on and vote on a major project that is a part of the bond," said Berchten, who is spearheading an effort to convince the district to move more quickly with seismic safety issues.

Riffer, while confirming the district has not taken action on an overall budget plan for bond projects, noted the budget for seismic strengthening on Albany High School has doubled with the realization that more work

there is needed. He said work was always carried out there after additional classroom construction.

Bill Daley, the only member of the Berkeley Neighborhood Association present, said he was satisfied with the cul-de-sac but "we are concerned the fact that this is being reviewed tonight."

While the board voted unanimously to delay the declaration, student boardmembers Michael Schmitt and Ariel Rubin voted against it (their votes are for only).

"Based on the comments I would be opposing any action right now. It would seem appropriate for the city of Albany and the public another day over it," Schakow said.

But in summing board members' feelings, Riffer said the action has been a long time coming.

"If you are hearing anything from me it is that over the length of time it has taken to give us the plan is better with the public input but it's a awful long time and we are out there looking at portable (classrooms) our kids are getting tired in," he said.

"Vice Mayor Bob Good was quoted as saying that the new middle school is the biggest problem the city. I don't see this as the biggest problem, the biggest improvement," Riffer said. "The tension has been very frustrating maybe we can put this behind us and get a new relationship (with the city)."

Plaza

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The "hot rod" road through the middle of the Plaza was one site plan element chair John Baker disliked. In several plans, he stated his strong concern that streets developed through the Plaza would encourage "short cuts" by residents and others driving through quickly with no intention of stopping to use the center's services. (Other members agreed.)

Baker called Bariteau's parking plan "so-so" and also said he didn't like the "buildings right up against the creek." At the same time, he "thought the guy was great."

"We thought this was one of the stronger proposals from the standpoint of potential," said Mark Caghey, reporting on the Design Review Board's discussion of the various site plans.

While the board felt a number of plan elements were not acceptable, Caghey said they probably reflected the fact that "the plan was done quickly."

On the other side were three plans that received a majority of negative comments. The Emerald Fund had "way too much housing," from Baker's viewpoint. Several other members agreed.

Baker also disliked the "limited public access to Cerrito Creek" and the lack of pedestrian and bicycle routing from BART to San Pablo Avenue.

Baker did feel the plan layout would tend to "slow down" traffic; it was one of the only positive comments made.

The DRB, according to Caghey, had expressed concern that only a "wall" could be seen from the street level and from BART.

Caghey noted that the plan had probably been prepared "hastily" but also said, "it seems as if they didn't talk to the city and weren't (truly aware) of our pre-planning efforts."

The Sares-Regis development plan also got negative comments. Baker again foresaw residents "flying through the Plaza," taking advantage of the "race thoroughfare" provided by new through streets.

Volpini liked its "Main Street" concept (though she believes the developer "ignored" the community's concept plan), while several members expressed agreement with Baker when he said, "This reminds me almost of Pinole (Vista Shopping Center), with a wall of buildings, where you walk miles from one to another."

Measure

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such a move might be politically unpopular, according to City Administrator Daren Fields it would not be illegal.

The engineer's report does list parcels of land and creek projects which could be performed with the money. Under the acquisition of open space, it lists 22 acres of undeveloped land atop Albany Hill. In regard to playfield acquisition, it lists parcels on University Village property, parcels in Berkeley on Harrison Street at Fifth and Eighth, and on the plateau on the Albany waterfront.

The report does not list specific creek restoration projects, although according to Albany Mayor Mike Brodsky, who helped get the ball rolling on the measure, candidates for restoration include the portion of Cerrito

Creek which runs through the proposed site for the new Middle School and the portion of Codornices Creek at the site of the Villa Motel. The restoration money could also be used to build "greenway" bike and foot paths along Albany's five creeks.

To protest the new assessment district, property owners need only respond to a notice they should already have received by saying simply that they protest. Although the notice asks for a reason for the protest, none needs to be given. Businesses will also be levied under the new assessment, in some cases with the tax reaching into the hundreds and even thousands of dollars per year.

By far the biggest contributor will be Catellus Corp., which owns most of the land on the waterfront. Because

of the way the assessment district is engineered, Catellus would contribute more than \$62,000 per year, or 22 percent, to the new assessment. As for the rest, the city will have a whopping 22 percent say in the new assessment district lives or dies. That percentage said Randy Leptien, the assessment district manager because much of the company's land is open space not being assessed.

As of Monday, Catellus had not protested. Nelson Rising, the corporation's CEO, was away last week and was unavailable this week for comment.

Those wishing to protest the assessment must do so by Oct. 21. The City Council will hold a hearing on the assessment district on Oct. 7 and 21, and has urged those opposed to the district to attend.

Feiner

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dents have repeatedly voiced their dissatisfaction with nearly everything being done by the council, an equally small but perhaps not-so-loud group has also been watching, and they find little, if anything, wrong with the way things are run.

"If you put yourself out to do something for the community, there's always somebody there to criticize," says Feiner, who reserves his highest praise for the at-times embattled Albany Mayor Mike Brodsky. "I hear nothing but good things about Mayor Brodsky," Feiner says. "He's given four years of his life to the community. I think he deserves a pat on the back."

In Feiner, a registered Democrat, self-described pragmatist, and candidate who must pause in order to think of a decision made by the council with which he does not agree, one finds the strongest proponent for keeping things the way they are.

A general contractor and real estate salesperson who shares a small Evelyn Avenue home with his wife, two-year-old son, and the 14 koi who live in a well-manicured pond in his back yard, Feiner, like the other candidates, says he is in Albany for the long haul. His living room reveals both a family man and one who is well-travelled, with magnetized play blocks sitting on the coffee table under the watchful eyes of elaborately-wrought Balinese shadow puppets.

One might think that as a supporter of the cardroom and of the council in general, Feiner would find himself a man under fire in an Albany rife with letter-to-the-editor writers. So far, the threat has failed to materialize.

Aside from a brief tangle with the *West County Times*, which began with a correction he requested in regard to his role in the cardroom campaign and ended with a pair of articles and an editorial on his lack of a home occupancy permit and business license, one can count the voices taking him to task for his positions on one finger.

Yet as a Planning and Zoning Commissioner, cardroom supporter and member of both the Electoral Reform Committee and Ad Hoc Fiscal Task Force, Feiner has

been involved in nearly every controversial issue Albany has faced over the past few years.

He was present at the council meeting in which fellow Zoning Commissioner Bill Cain was stripped of his seat and was one of two city residents who spoke on behalf of the removal, saying it was Councilmember Elizabeth Baker's right to do so. In November 1994, Feiner urged the council to put campaign finance reform on the city agenda, and, in a more recent move, he was among those to sign on to the ballot argument in favor of the city's open space measure.

Perhaps the most controversial move Feiner has made, though, was during the cardroom election, when he authored a flyer which stated that the "Albany Citizens Fiscal Task Force recommends this project."

City records show, however, that the task force recommended studying the idea of the project and not the project itself, thus leading to letters to the editor then and the lone written criticism of Feiner now, which was written by David Arkin, president of the Citizens for Responsible Government and supporter of council candidate Jon Ely.

"I guess you can read a lot of different things into it," says Feiner in response to Arkin's critique, which he calls legitimate. "There were probably a few words I could have used to clarify that ... My perception was that we recommended the project and sent it up to the City Council."

As mentioned above, Feiner supports nearly every major decision made by the current council, and places an increased tax base at the top of his list of priorities. A strong proponent of the San Pablo Avenue Vision Plan as well as the current strategy of redevelopment as a means of generating additional revenue, Feiner supports the city's current long-term goals and says he wishes they had been implemented sooner.

"If we had done it 15 years ago, we would not be so dependent on the racetrack," he says. "We should be creating more alternatives for ourselves, not less."

As for other issues of the day, Feiner sticks close to the current council's train of thought:

• He supports the city-sponsored Measure O over

citizen-sponsored Measure Q, which relates to the pointment and removal of citizen volunteers. Measure Q "overkill," Feiner says that if he asked to resign from the Planning and Zoning Commission, he would have perhaps argued and then down peacefully.

• Like his fellow candidates, Feiner sees the middle school as one of the biggest potential problems down the road and would like to find a positive "I'm looking for cooperation and win-win situation," says Feiner.

• A self-described environmentalist, while with a hearty "Right On!" to the Green Party, Feiner is thinking globally but acting locally. Feiner supports Measure R, the city-sponsored open-space measure, which would encourage an "issue of responsibility" would also favor expanded recycling.

• Feiner is "absolutely in favor" of the council's decision to loan more than \$100,000 to a developer for affordable housing at the "Changing a drug haven into housing for the poor" is a good thing to do," he says.

• As for campaign spending, Feiner was within the current limit of 50 cents per voter. Ironically, he will be spending the most money during the election, as the other three candidates have voted out less than \$1,000.

• Going against the current council, he would like to see the city share the costs of upper sewer lateral repairs. "It's a lot of money to hit people up for," he says. "We have a way to get everybody to chip in."

• Feiner also disagrees with the 3-2 vote recently taken in favor of fingerprinting police officers, saying there is enough "Big Brother" in our lives as it is.

• And as for the critics in the barclay mentioned above, would like the measure. "There's nothing easier than complaining about than coming up with solutions," he says. "I think that whatever (the council) does is good. It's when people give of themselves ... they do reinforcement."

Searching for that magical place

Number 165 in a series of true experiences in real estate.

More than ever before, we hear buyers these days that they want a place out of doors to sit in the sun, a sweet spot where they can be relaxed and renew.

These people have a garden in mind, and because they do, they look for it in every house they see. They walk from the front door to the back wall of the house and ask, "Is their garden there? If not, what's the end of that?"

They don't seek a particular garden (the images are fuzzy), but they know they'll recognize it when they see it. And they will, too.

Houses that sell quickly and well have various things going for them, but one of the most persuasive is an easily reached, private and quiet, pleasing green space.

Buyers (and agents) walk into a house and they say, "Oh, how nice. Isn't that nice? I just want to be here forever."

Are these blowzy English border gardens full of climbing roses? Not necessarily. Are they green and lush and they offer a feeling of protection? Not always. Can you make your garden like them? Very likely.

Even if your outdoor area looks

bad now — brown and burnt or wild and wooly or if there is nothing there at all — it can be fairly simple to make it a haven, a place someone will want to make his own.

It will take a little time for things to grow (six months may do), so if you are thinking of selling in the next year, now is the time to begin.

I have made my own little study of gardens people love. I go to see houses that agents say have a "wonderful garden" and have found that those appealing to the most people almost always have certain things in common.

They are well watered but not muddy or moldy. There is a sitting place, a brick patio or simply a raked clearing under a tree, and there is sun.

The plants are often simple to grow, are planted in mass, are usually repeated in several places, and they have the look of being at ease where they are.

There may be nothing more growing in a garden, for example, than several different vines, prettily tumbling, lightly trailing. But they have not been allowed to become runaways, nor are they stiff or trimmed square.

The garden doesn't have to be large. It does have to draw the visitor

in. It doesn't have to have much variation or complexity. It does have to have height, look healthy, give the feeling of a place to rest.

If there are wood fences or trellises, they look soft and weathered or better, covered with green.

Any trees are well-pruned; any bare dirt is dug and smoothed. Abundance is evident — an extra long bank of round-leaved nasturtiums or a whole grove of abutilon with its graceful bell blossoms.

Once I saw many identical tree ferns planted along the front of a house, coming up to the bottoms of the windows, baby tears beneath. Simple. Fabulous.

And I remember agents standing at the doorway to another garden, recall hearing them exclaiming, delighted by what they were taking in.

This small garden contained only one young maple tree plus ivy, jasmine, and tough, low-growing bergenia with stalks of pale pink flowers and spade-shaped leaves that make a satisfying repeat design.

I've thought of this garden often because it succeeded so well. It contained few different plants in a simple design but offered a haven, sheltering and inviting.

Gardens that have a sense of mystery or of sweet romance, do not



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usually contain primary yellow and red flowers, colors that are fine in pots on porches, especially many lined up in identical containers.

But in the garden, a restful, veil-like effect, is better a place to hide and be safe.

Wide paths are good, gravel is good. Tall, amazingly fast-growing iochroma with its slender, hanging bell-shaped flowers in clusters will mask and deepen the boundaries of the garden. A pear or apple espaliered against a wall is excellent, classic, and recalls thoughts of European gardens even to those who have never been to them.

The entrance is all-important. If now you must go around a corner and through the laundry to get to the out-of-doors, is there another way?

Can you make an entrance, preferably a wide one through glass and

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Mortgage rates steady

On Sept. 26 the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) announced that its Primary Mortgage Market Survey showed that the nationwide average for 30-year fixed rate crept upward just two basis points from last week's 8.14 percent to 8.16 percent. During the fourth week of September 1996, the 30-year fixed rate was 7.62 percent.

The start rate for 1-year Treasury-indexed adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) was down just a single basis point to 5.82 percent from last week's average of 5.83 percent. A year ago the ARM start rate was 5.77 percent.

The average for 15-year fixed-rate mortgages, a popular option in the refinancing arena, rose four basis points to 7.68 percent from last week's figure of 7.64 percent. This time last year this rate was 7.16 percent.

"Interest rates have largely remained in a narrow band around 8 percent since the middle of July," said Freddie Mac Deputy Chief Economist Frank Nothaft.

"Affordable rates have helped insure a strong business market through August and this trend should continue into the fall."

This year Freddie Mac celebrates the 25th consecutive year of the Primary Mortgage Market Survey, having tracked mortgage rates since 1971.

By supplying lenders with the money to make mortgages and packaging the mortgages into marketable securities, Freddie Mac sustains a stable mortgage credit system and reduces the mortgage rates paid by home buyers.

On Aug. 30 the Federal Home Loan Bank Board pegged the 11th District Cost of Funds Index (COFI) for September payments at 4.819 percent, up 10 basis points from the 4.809 percent that was in effect for August payments.

The COFI is the index widely used by the savings and loan industry for its adjustable rate mortgages.

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wood doors that will swing open not slide, to the outside? If it is possible to cut a hole in the dining, living room or bedroom wall, this could be the best money you ever spent.

Take stock of what is already growing and do not too quickly cut down anything, particularly anything that is enthusiastic, until you have carefully considered. You may be able to shape that bush or tree, water and feed it, make it into a treasure.

Talk to the people at the nursery. You want tough and evergreen plants. You want many of the same one, concentration of each at least as wide as your arms spread. Don't use chips or bark, lava rocks or sparkly white ones.

If you need to hold up dirt in mounds and you don't have sizable rocks, you can use logs or limbs or broken concrete. Just clothe them in something. I like nasturtiums. Plan for the widest pleasant expanse.

Take out rangy bushes and trees in the middle so the eye can flow easily. But exclude from view if you can your neighbor's buildings, and place a bench or table and seat in a protected place.

If there is a gate, good. It's old but not broken and it has a good latch and hinges and they are tarnished, not shining.

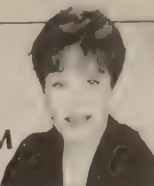
Trellising, especially if painted green or white, and wood arbors and grape stakes all bring joy but they must be built there, not stapled together at the lumber yard. You want an old look, timeless.

The garden you are making will gently embrace. It will contain nothing that is startling or brash, and because of this, the moment the visitor enters, he will gently embrace.

It might be you who wants to stay forever.

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REAL ESTATE FORUM



DIAN HYMER

An appraisal — an educated opinion of the market value of a property — is required by most lenders before they will approve a mortgage. The lender selects the appraiser, but the borrower usually pays the fee. Appraisals cost from \$200 to \$500 or more, depending on the location and size of the property.

An appraiser determines market value by comparing the subject property with three others in the vicinity that are roughly similar, and that have sold and closed within the past six months. The appraiser adds to the value of the subject property for amenities it has that the comparable properties don't have. Value is subtracted if the subject property lacks amenities in comparison to the others.

Appraisals are somewhat sub-

Appraisals: a subjective approach

jective. They should ideally be done by someone who knows the area. Establishing value is easier in tract developments, where there is consistency in home size and amenities, than it is in neighborhoods with lots of variability. Appraisals are easier to do when prices are relatively stable than they are when prices are rising or dropping.

When lenders evaluate loans to determine if they can be approved, they look at the *loan-to-value (LTV)* ratio. The LTV is calculated by dividing the loan amount by the appraised value of the property.

The appraisal report on the property is used to establish the value for the LTV equation. Let's say you have agreed to pay \$275,000 for a property, and you have applied for a 90 percent loan in the amount of \$247,500. If the property appraises for \$275,000, then your LTV will be 90 percent. As long as your ratios are adequate, and your credit is good, your loan should be approved.

But, if the property appraises for \$270,000, you've got a problem. The lender may still be willing to give you a loan, but it may not be for the amount you need. The lender

may only be willing to loan based on a 90 percent loan-to-value. Ninety percent of a \$270,000 appraised value is only \$243,000 — \$4,500 less than what you requested.

In this case, you would have a legitimate way out of the contract provided you included a contingency in your purchase agreement for the property to appraise for the purchase price. But, if you do want to go ahead with the purchase, either you'll need to come up with the additional cash required to close, or the sellers will have to agree to accept a lower price. If the sellers won't lower their price, they may be willing to loan you the amount you are short. However, this would require the lender's approval.

Another approach, if you are convinced that the low appraisal is a mistake, is to ask the lender to review the appraisal. Have your real estate agent provide comparable sales to show the lender that the property should appraise for the purchase price.

According to the Federal Credit Opportunity Act, borrowers who pay for an appraisal are entitled to a copy of it.

A last resort is to take a package to a different lender. In general, portfolio lenders are more lenient on loan appraisals. You may want to discuss the appraisal with a new lender. If the loan will be approved, you apply.

When a buyer has a loan down payment, a low appraisal is less of a problem. Let's say...

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Directory points way to savings

Buy great stuff at low prices with the help of the "Reuse Directory" shop the 220 reuse/rental/repair stores in Berkeley and Albany.

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VIEW TOUR

A self-guided tour of fine homes
selected for their bay or bridge views.
Sunday, October 6th, 1996
4:00-7:00 PM

649 Creston Road, Berkeley - \$699,000
Private country setting. Two master suites + in-law. Comfortable dining room, remodeled kitchen. Ann Arriola Plant, 527-2700, 287-8761

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4BR, 3.5BA. Ideal floor plan for au-pair. Incredible view from roof deck off master suite. Diane Sindel Deutsche, 524-8508

708 Grizzly Peak Blvd., Berkeley - \$349,500
3BR, 2BA. Split-level home with deck. Jamie Lake, 765-5960

1153 Keeler Ave., Berkeley - \$449,000
Open 4:30-7:00 PM. 4+BR, 2.5BA. Elegant home in serene, private setting. Great for entertaining. Richard Morrison, 527-2700, 287-8764

722 Keeler Ave., Berkeley - \$375,000
Spacious & gracious 5+BR, 3BA. Flexible floor plan. Decks. Study. Hot tub. Francine Di Palma, 849-3711, 273-9319

975 Indian Rock Ave., Berkeley - \$349,000
Privacy & a prime location near the newly renovated Circle Fountain distinguish this lovely 3BR, 2BA home. Chris Neddersen, 527-0174 or nedders@holonet.net

959 Miller Ave., Berkeley - \$949,500
Sunken living room, gourmet kitchen. Master retreat with fireplace. 4BR, 3.5BA. Jeanette Roach, 339-0400, 547-1760

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Events

The Events Calendar does not list for-profit listings. Announcements for these events can be made in the classified section by calling 415-777-7777. Listings are made on a space available basis.

The nonprofit Building Education Center (BEC), 812 Page St., Berkeley is the place to plan your home or the place to learn to turn your home into a dream. On Oct. 5 BEC presents three workshops: **Basic Home Buyer and Improvement Skills** and **Waterproofing**. The center has Construction Estimating Workshops on Saturday's calendar. On Sun., Oct 6 will host **The Home Seller** Call BEC at 525-7610

for more information.

The California Native Plant Society presents its **30th Annual Native Plant Sale**, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sat. and Sun., Oct. 5 and 6, at Merritt College on Campus Drive in Oakland. The sale will feature plants, bulbs, seeds books and posters. Plant sales will continue Tues. mornings through Jan., 1997.

The BSM Group and Mason McDuffie-El Cerrito present the free **Home Buyer, Seller Maintenance Seminar**, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sat., Oct. 5 at the El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Moesser Lane, El Cerrito. Sponsors include Cal Vet, home inspectors, termite compa-

nies and more. Call 273-9766 for more information.

The Oakland Tours Program presents a free walking guided tour of **Jack London Waterfront**, 10 a.m., Sat., Oct. 5. Images of Jack London will surround you as you tour the Port of Oakland. Visit the Jack London Museum, amble through a turn-of-the-century wholesale produce district (still in operation) and see Franklin Roosevelt's restored yacht, the Potomac. Meet in front of the Overland Bar and Grill at the foot of Broadway. Call 238-3234 for more information about this tour or about any of the city of Oakland's seven free walking tours.

Garden designer Keelya Meadows presents a **Bulb Class**, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Sun., Oct. 6 at Westbrae Nursery, 1272 Gilman St., Berkeley. Learn about making plant selections and doing borders while gaining a fresh eye to overall design and garden color palettes. Call Westbrae Nursery at 526-7606 for more information.

The City of Oakland hosts a **Fire Safety and Emergency Preparedness Fair**, Sun., Oct. 6, from noon to 4 p.m. in Joaquin Miller Park on Sanborn Drive in Oakland. Highlights include demonstrations of fire fighting equipment and the new GIS computer system. Call Charlie West at 238-7396 for more information.

The Bay Area Chapter of the **National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI/SAFE)**, an association of professional remodeling contractors, subcontractors, architectural and interior design professionals, hosts its regular monthly meeting 6 p.m., Wed., Oct. 9 at the Showplace Square, Two Henry Adams St., San Francisco. Don't miss the annual awards ceremony and nominations for the coming year. The \$25 ticket includes dinner, beverage, dessert and program. Nonmembers are encouraged to attend. Advanced reservations are requested Call (415) 985-7058 for reservations and information.

The Oakland Tours Program presents a free walking guided tour of **Oakland's Chinatown**, 10 a.m., Wed. Oct. 9. Walk through this bustling Asian center—the fifth largest Chinatown in the United States. Experience exotic fruits and vegetables, walk through an Asian herb shop, see markets filled with fish and barbecued ducks. Watch fresh noodles being made. Call 238-3234 for more information about this tour or about any of the city of Oakland's seven free walking tours.

Western American Mortgage has teamed up with Mason McDuffie Real Estate and Chicago Title Company to present a free **Earthquake Preparedness Seminar**, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wed., Oct. 9 at 2855 Telegraph Ave. (between Russell and Oregon Streets). Jim Gillette of Earthquake Construction Service and Tony DeMascole of A.

DeMascole Consulting Engineer will discuss engineering and construction. Information and displays from ABQ, FEMA and the American Red Cross will be featured along with representatives from the Building Education Center, the Earthquake Outlet and State Farm Insurance. Call 845-022 to make a reservation.

Architects, Designers and Planners for Social Responsibility present a **Blueprint for a Sustainable Bay Area**, 6 p.m., Wed., Oct. 9 at the PG&E Energy Center, 851 Howard St. (two blocks south of Powell) in San Francisco. Urban Ecology President Andrea Traber and Blueprint Project Director Marcia McNally will describe the making of the forthcoming (Fall '96) book and the principles, concepts and case studies it documents. Call 273-2428 for more information.

Stained Glass Garden, 1800 Fourth St., Berkeley will host an **Introduction to Stained Glass**, Thursdays 7-9:30 p.m. from Oct. 10 through Nov. 7. Call 841-2200 See EVENTS on page 22

Easy Bay Garden Center books available

The library, open Thursdays 11:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (except holidays), is in the Garden Center Building in Lakeside Park, 666

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GRAND NORTH BERKELEY HOME on large lot with Bay views! 5BR/5BA, plus family room! Level entry, 3 garages! Very private. Bebe McRae ext. 145...\$775,000

177 SANTA BARBARA OPEN SUNDAY 2-5, 4+BR, 2BA. Exceptionally beautiful Med. in best location. SF & GG views. Gourmet kitchen to deck & private level yard. Extra large lot. Nancy Noman ext. 124...\$625,000

363 VASSAR OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30, view, view, view! JUST LISTED! Fine new Claremont Heights contemporary featuring City, Bridge, Bay & Canyon panoramic 4+BR, 2BA. Gini Erck ext. 133...\$530,000

CLAREMONT'S BEST VALUE! J.H. Thomas. Redwood detailing in LR & DR. 4+BR, 2 full BA, 2 half baths, family room, study, attic! Landscaped garden, hot tub. Close to shops, tennis, U.C. and Claremont Spa. Susie Schevill ext. 144...\$499,000

GLORIOUS VIEWS - PRIVATE SETTING, 4+BR, 2BA contemp. Nancy Lee Noman ext. 124...\$449,000

1417 CEDAR ST Open Sunday 2-4. Close to campus at Chez Panisse! Legal duplex used as 2BR plus sophisticated home office or studio! Sunny patio, off-street parking for 2 cars! Bebe McRae ext. 145...\$350,000

51 FOREST LANE. An elegant little jewel in the North Berkeley hillside! 1BR, study, living rm with vaulted beamed ceiling & fireplace! Beautiful built-ins & hwd floors. Bay views! Bebe McRae ext. 145...\$295,000

BROWN SHINGLE FIKER DUPLEX. Very large flats, good rents! Leslie Easterday ext. 134...\$280,000

2805 FULTON. Traditional 4BR, 2BA on a quiet street in move-in condition. Plus sunny studio cottage. Marlene Leverette ext. 121...\$265,000

2919 WHEELER Open Sunday 2-4. LOVINGLY RESTORED VICTORIAN. Quiet street, remodeled kit, 3+BR, 2BA, landscaped garden. Susie Schevill ext. 144...\$255,000

1427 HOLLY STREET. Exceptional opportunity! Special neighborhood! Charming 2BR/1BA, private garden, garage. Susie Schevill ext. 144...\$247,000

GOURMET GHETTO'S BEST BUY. Charming 2BR, 1BA. Deep yard, deck. Nancy Noman ext. 124...\$209,000

2328 CURTIS STREET. Charming 3/2, good spaces, yard! Convenient location! Anne Van Dyke ext. 142...\$195,000

HUGE TOP FLOOR CONDO. Approx 1600 sq. ft. Light filled 3+BR. Leslie Easterday ext. 134...\$179,000

1539 DWIGHT @ Spaulding Open Sunday 2-4. Expansive 2BR. Leslie Easterday ext. 134...\$169,000

2754 DOHR ST Open Sunday 2-4:30. New Listing! Cute starter. 3BR, 1BA move right in! Ron Egerman ext. 127...\$158,000

OAKLAND

1355 PELHAM PLACE, UPPER MONTCLAIR. Bright and beautiful contemporary! Vaulted ceilings, spacious open living! 3BR, 2.5BA, kitchen/family room, 2-car garage, private entry garden, view! Bebe McRae ext. 145...\$399,000

300 OAK GROVE AVENUE. 4BR, 2.5BA Rockridge neighborhood, MBS, lots of wood, level yard & only 1 block to BART. Jan Fougner ext. 138...\$369,000

100 PLEASANT VLY CT. Bright 3BR bungalow. New bath, level yard & deck. Jan ext. 138...\$239,500

1447 E. 38TH STREET. 2+BR, 1BA Glenview bungalow. Jan Fougner ext. 138...\$189,000

610 JEAN ST Open Sunday 2-4:30. New Listing! Sophisticated new condominiums near Rose Garden. 2BR, 2BA, hardwood flrs, fireplace, balconies & lovely vistas. Ron Egerman ext. 127...\$185,000-210,000

MAXWELL PARK TUDOR. 3BR, 2BA, cosmetic fixer. Probate. Faye Keogh ext. 126...\$159,000

ROCKRIDGE LOT 5000+ sq. ft. downslope @ 6431 Brookside. Jan Fougner ext. 138...\$92,500

PIEDMONT

7 LA SALLE AVENUE. NEW PRICE! 3100 sq. ft. 3+BR, 3BA, hardwood floors, 2 fireplaces. Sunny deck. Mary Montali 848-3097...\$365,000

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PRISTINE STARTER HOME. NEW PRICE! Large eat-in kitchen. Outdoor living, 3BR, 1BA, with a huge double garage. Great opportunity! Susie Schevill ext. 144...\$195,000

KENSINGTON

1410 LAM COURT Open Sunday 2-4:30. NEW LISTING! Serene & Private, custom built around private courtyard. 2BR, 2.5BA, plus many special features. Ron Egerman ext. 127...\$425,000

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PIEDMONT TOUR

271 CROCKER AVENUE, PIEDMONT - 5BD/3+BA.....\$1,150,000
Gorgeous, immaculate traditional, family rm, den, rumpus. Bonnie Hirsch

11 SELBORNE DRIVE, PIEDMONT - 6BD/4BA.....\$729,000
Open flexible floor plan, large rumpus opens to level yard. Joan Hause

316 SCENIC AVENUE, PIEDMONT - 4BD/3BA.....\$649,000
Remodeled, SF bay views, pvt setting, move-in cond. Martha Holstlaw

100 HAZEL LANE, PIEDMONT - 3BR/2+BA.....\$624,500
Unique & charming, superb quality, private patio/garden. Sally Morrison

45 INVERLEITH TERRACE, PIEDMONT - 3BR/2+BA.....\$525,000
Spacious one level home, new kitchen, fam room w/frpl. Roselle Woods

431 PALA AVENUE, PIEDMONT - 3BD/2BA.....\$485,000
Updated kit, fam room, rumpus, great yard, pool, hot tub. Francis Heath

159 ST. JAMES DRIVE, PIEDMONT - 3BD/3BA.....\$425,000
Renovated interior, fam rm, formal DR, beautiful setting. Sally Morrison

230 WILDWOOD AVENUE, PIEDMONT - 4BD/3BA.....\$398,500
Best buy! New paint & carpet, fam room, yard near schools. Ann Nichols

429 LINDA AVENUE, PIEDMONT - 2BD/1BA.....\$279,000
Adorable home in private garden setting, beaut kit/bath. Dabi Fitzgerald

OAKLAND / BERKELEY

171 ALPINE TERR, CLAREMONT PINES - 4BD/4+BA.....\$1,095,000
New price! Classic Med., panoramic views, a work of art! Joe Knowland

5602 DENTON PL, HILLCREST HIGHLANDS - 3+BD/2+BA.....\$869,000
Beautiful traditional, move-in cond., fam rm, den, rumpus. Bonnie Hirsch

6122 ACACIA AVE, UPPER ROCKRIDGE - 4+BD/3+BA.....\$864,000
New listing! Lovely new Med., great floor plan, bay view. Dee Knowland

867 ARLINGTON AVENUE, BERKELEY - 4BD/3BA.....\$574,900
New listing! Updated Spanish Med, artistic flair, gardens. Joanna Gould

6212 VIEWCREST DRIVE, RIDGEMONT - 4BD/3BA.....\$429,000
Great floor plan, 1/4 acre lot, bonus rm, fam rm, landscaped. Robyn Mohr

1635 ARROWHEAD DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 4BD/2+BA.....\$419,000
Spacious, dramatic design, level-in, tree views, family room. Kirk Phillips

2 MALL COURT, MONTCLAIR - 4BD/2BA.....\$369,000
Private & wooded, mt suite, hwd flrs, back yard, hot tub. Nancy Chew

1305 HENRY STREET, BERKELEY.....\$345,000 to \$425,000
3 new townhomes, 2 & 3 bdrm, finest quality, yards & decks. Rich Gould

12550 BROOKPARK, PARKRIDGE ESTATES - 3BD/2BA.....\$329,000
1/3 acre, parklands view, pool, redone kit/bath, fam rm. Vicki Woodhead

4335 TERRABELLA, OAKLAND HILLS - 3BD/2+BA.....\$325,000
New listing! Bright contemp, spectac. SF/GG views, yard. Lee Jacobson

4071 OAKMORE ROAD, OAKMORE - 3+BD/2+BA.....\$319,900
Move-in condition, wooded setting, fam rm, 2 decks, hot tub. Dick Cohen

1071 BROOKWOOD, CROCKER HIGHLANDS - 3+BD/1BA.....\$314,000
Beautifully updated English, formal DR, private backyard. Pat Dedekian

6856 ARMOUR DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 4BD/2+BA.....\$299,000
"Great room" concept w/glass doors leading to patio, deck. Donna Costella

701 GLENDOME CIRCLE, GLENVIEW - 3BD/2BA.....\$259,000
Art moderne home, lg bonus rm, quiet setting, canyon views. Tom Anthony

4106 39TH AVE, REDWOOD HEIGHTS - 2+BD/2BA.....\$239,500
New listing! Private setting, bay view, great deck & yard. Vicki Woodhead

719 JEAN STREET, GRANDLAKE - 3BD/1BA.....\$225,000
New listing! Charming English trad, large lot, porch & yard. Chuck Corwin

527 KEY ROUTE BLVD, ALBANY - 2BD/1BA.....\$221,500
Just reduced! Delightful, well maintained, frpl, large patio. Rich Gould

3368 JORDAN ROAD, REDWOOD HEIGHTS - 2BD/1BA.....\$207,000
New listing! Charming starter, quiet street, huge level lot. Thomas Wurst

1358 HEARST AVE, NORTH BERKELEY - 2BD/1BA.....\$189,000
Just Reduced! New roof, office, frpl, FDR, deck, level yard. Ann Nichols

4515 ELINORA AVE, REDWOOD HEIGHTS - 2BD/1BA.....\$149,000
Adorable cottage on large lot, frpl, hwd floors, garage. Wendy Gardner

2903 CARMEL ST, LINCOLN HEIGHTS - 2BD/1+BA.....\$147,500
Best value! 1300 sq. ft. townhome, sep entry, in-unit laundry. Nancy Chew

3419 COOLIDGE AVENUE, LAUREL - 1+BD/1BA.....\$119,000
Darling cottage in great cond, redone kitchen/bath, patio. Sandi Klemmer

BY APPOINTMENT

PIEDMONT

PARK-LIKE SETTING - PIEDMONT.....\$2,295,000
Beautiful architect design. 5BD/4+BA, chef's kit, family room, library, rumpus, elevator to all 3 levels, pool. Joan Daniel

GRACIOUS TRADITIONAL - PIEDMONT.....\$1,850,000
Architect designed with French touches. Perfect for entertaining with its lovely private gardens and pool. 6BD/4+BA. Sally Morrison

A RARE FIND - PIEDMONT.....\$1,720,000
Designed for convenience and gracious entertaining. 5BD/4.5BA, au pair, fam rm, library & rec rm. Sally Morrison/Dee Dee Bonham

ELEGANT & SOPHISTICATED - PIEDMONT.....\$1,169,000
Spectacular unobstructed pano view of cities & bay. Elegant 3BD/3BA, extensively remodeled w/all new systems. Dee Dee Bonham

UNSURPASSED CHARM - PIEDMONT.....\$849,000
Authentic English Tudor with leaded glass windows, hwd floors throughout, m 3BD/2+BA, 3 frpls, many extras. Sally Morrison

PIEDMONT'S FINEST LOT!.....\$495,000
This 9,590 sq ft lot slopes down from upscale Tyson Circle to Tahoe-like setting of beautiful Lake Tyson. Dee Knowland

OAKLAND / BERKELEY

EXQUISITE CONTEMPORARY.....\$569,000
Private garden setting with bay views. Dramatic entry, 4BD/3+BA, formal DR, gorgeous kit/family rm, many extras. Wendy Gardner

PIEDMONT SIDE OF MONTCLAIR.....\$499,900
Bay views! 3BD/3BA including master suite, kit/family room leads to lovely brick patio, beautifully landscaped yards. Joan Dark

TRANQUIL GARDEN SETTING.....\$459,900
Easy living contemp w/open floor plan. 4BD/3.5BA including 2 bdrm suites, kit/fam rm combo, wonderful outdoor areas. Donna Costella

ELEGANT SPANISH STYLE.....\$329,000
Beautiful large lot, 4+BD/2BA, family room w/wet bar & frpl, formal dining, large kitchen, move-in condition. Thomas Wurst

EXCEPTIONAL VALUE - MONTCLAIR.....\$310,000
Freshly painted, 3BD/2BA, hardwood floors, eat-in kit, formal dining, secluded patio, walk to the Village. Dee Dee Bonham

LOVELY TRADITIONAL.....\$310,000
Sited on a beautiful lot with large level back yard, deck & hot tub. 3BD/2BA, plus room, updated kitchen. Sandi Klemmer

DRAMATIC OAKMORE CONTEMPORARY.....\$298,000
Quiet cul-de-sac location. Sun-filled rooms with south bay views. 2BD/2BA, master suite, family rm, frpl, deck. Wendy Gardner

GLENVIEW TRADITIONAL.....\$295,000
Wonderful 2-story family home with 4BD/1.5BA, office/den, formal dining with built-ins, frpl, level yard. Francis Heath

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NEW LISTING - FRUITVALE AREA.....\$182,000
Good value! Nice quiet neighborhood above MacArthur. 4BD/3BA home with potential, 2-car garage with storage. Thomas Wurst

QUIET CUL-DE-SAC.....\$159,900
Cute 2BD/1BA bungalow, formal dining room with built-ins, large eat-in kitchen, laundry area, 2-car garage. Thomas Wurst

BROWN SHINGLE CHARMER.....\$145,000
2BD/2BA, formal dining, hwd floors, large kitchen, fireplace, alarm system, secluded level back yard. Kathy Flynn

PERFECT STARTER HOME.....\$135,500
Laurel district home with 2BD/1BA, hardwood floors throughout, level yard, detached garage. Nancy Chew

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 629 Waterview - \$330,000
 21 Wexford Pl. - \$290,000

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 1003 Curtis St. - \$304,000
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 956 Madison St. - \$135,000

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 535 Santa Fe Ave. - \$335,000

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 2309 Mono Ave. - \$150,000
 220 Pomona Ave. - \$247,000

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 4338 Harmon Road - \$120,000
 623 Lois Ln. - \$225,000

EMERYVILLE
 2 Admiral B475 - \$71,500
 1004 Aileen Dr. - \$110,000
 1 Captain D367 - \$120,500

6363 Christie 2524 - \$143,000
 6363 Christie 905 - \$123,500
 2 Commodore D,371 - \$98,000

KENSINGTON
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 8422 B St. - \$114,000
 9 Bay Forest - \$405,000
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 13096 B'way Ter. - \$775,000
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 12825 Brookpark - \$286,000
 6966 Buckingham - \$455,000
 7180 Buckingham - \$449,000
 9939 Burr St. - \$110,000
 740 C'yon Oaks, D - \$133,000
 5124 Cochrane Ave. - \$489,000

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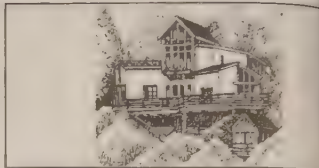
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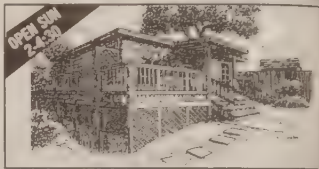
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 Upper Oakmore, outstanding, prime, quiet street. Cozy family kitchen leads to patio, beamed ceilings, recreation room w/2nd fireplace. Open Sunday, 2-4:30.

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PIEDMONT TRADITIONAL \$359,000
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 Gracious Mediterranean. Exquisite detailing. 4/3 & dramatic living room. European garden & courtyard. JEANETTE ROACH

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Events...

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for more information.

The Oakland Tours Program presents a free walking guided tour **Uptown to the Lake**, 10 a.m., Sat., Oct. 12. Art Deco is the emphasis of this tour which includes the Paramount Theater, the Fox Oakland (the first sound stage west of the Mississippi) and the Kaiser Center Roof Garden with its view of Lake Merritt. Meet in front of the Paramount Theater, 2025 Broadway. Call 238-3234 for more information about this tour or about any of the city of Oakland's seven free walking tours.

Garden designer Keeyla Meadows and the Berkeley Horticulture Nursery staff present a **Bulb Slide Show and Demonstration**, 10 a.m., Sat., Oct. 12 at the Berkeley Horticultural Nursery, 1310 McGee Ave., Berkeley. Call 526-4704 for more information.

The West Contra Costa Integrated Waste Management Authority hosts a free **Home Composting Workshop**, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Sat., Oct. 12 at the El Cerrito Senior Center, 6500 Stockton St., El Cerrito. Learn how to reduce and recycle your organic garbage. Call 215-3021 for more information.

Truitt & White Lumber Company, 642, Hearst Ave., Berkeley, presents Chris Vaughn of Vaughn Construction and the free homeowner seminar, **Planning For Your Kitchen Remodel**, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Sat., Oct. 19. Reservations are required. Call 649-2674.

Stained Glass Garden, 1800 Fourth St., Berkeley will hold a **Fused Glass Jewelry**, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sat. and Oct. 19 and 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Sun Oct. 20. This hands-on class will teach the basic techniques of glass fusing, make glass jewelry in your own home. Call 841-2200 for more information.

Catherine Teegarten of RAF Mortgage presents the free seminar **How To Make Money Using the FHA 203(k) Purchase/Rehab Loan**, 7 p.m., Thurs., Oct. 24 at the First American Title Company, 1544 Webster St. in Oakland. Owner occupants can buy properties for no money down. Nonprofits (churches and others) can buy and fix up properties for the communities they serve. Realtors, investors, contractors and nonprofits are all welcome to attend. This workshop is held on an ongoing basis. Reservations are required. Call Catherine Teegarten at 528-0767, ext. 17 for information and reservations.

Wausau Mortgage Corp. announces Charles Patton's free 203(k) mortgage workshop **Rehabilitate for Profit or Equity with a Proven Product**. The work shop, which will show you how to use the 203(k) loan program to purchase, renovate and resell property in a short time, is held biweekly. Call (800) 801-1320, ext. 240 times and places.

Join your Oakland neighbors in the Temescal District at the **Temescal Square Certified Farmer's Market**, every Sunday through November from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This neighborhood market at 49th and Telegraph will have a strong organic emphasis and include peaches, plums and nectarines from the San Joaquin Valley. Call the Market Hotline for more information at (800) 949-FARM or visit the market's Web site at <http://www.temescalmarket.com>

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A free **First-Time Home Buyer Seminar**, sponsored by Red Oak Realty and Mortgage Network, 1891 Solano Ave., Berkeley is held the first Wed. of each month at 7 p.m. Find out about first-time home buyer programs, get tips from a licensed Red Oak agent on how to make an offer, negotiate the best deal, handle home inspections; learn about contingencies that may protect a buyer from adverse conditions, and see if it may be more economical to buy rather than to rent. Get prequalified and receive a listing of homes for sale in your price range. Reservations are required. Call Russell Doi at 526-6554 to register or for more information

BankAmerica Mortgage presents **Home Buyer Open House Forum**, at 1322 North Main St., Walnut Creek. Learn how much home you can afford, get preapproved before you start looking and receive a free credit review and analysis. Get the facts on popular 3-, 5-, 7- and 10-year fixed rate loans. Call in your special request and our search panel will provide you with select homes in your price range to preview at the forum. Free home buyers kits will be presented to all those who attend. Call Maura at 295-3205 for more information. This forum is presented on an ongoing basis.

The East Bay Leads Club meets 7:45 a.m. Wednesdays at the Kaiser Center Cafeteria, 300 Lakeside Dr., Oakland. The Leads Club, the largest leads generating organization in the world, is open to all business owners, salespeople, managers and professionals. During weekly 75-minute meetings, each member gives a brief business presentation and exchanges leads collected during the previous week. Call 601-6325 for more information.

Le Tip International, a organization of independent businesspeople devoted to exchanging business leads and helping other members, meets Wednesdays at 7:15 a.m. Guests welcome. Call Lisa Schliff at 236-3002.

The Friends of the Latin American Library hold regular meetings at the Latin American Library, 1900 Fruitvale Ave., Oakland. Join in to support the library as it enters its 30th year of service. For more information call the library at 535-5620.

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92 Templar Pl. - \$132,500
1263 Trestle Glen - \$450,000
1408 Trestle Glen - \$410,000
1678 Trestle Glen - \$321,000
1431 West St. - \$150,000
3963 Whittle - \$219,500
527 Zorah St. - \$193,000

PIEDMONT
62 Inverleith - \$2,300,000
199 La Salle Ave. - \$730,000
63 Lincoln Ave. - \$915,000
33 Piedmont Ct. - \$663,000

SAN LEANDRO
1244 136th Ave. - \$165,000
1329 139th Ave. - \$156,500
15069 Andover St. - \$137,500
1550 Bancroft Ave. - \$161,000
1135 Donovan Dr. - \$126,000
14357 Doolittle - \$95,000
746 Douglas Dr. - \$144,000
910 Emerald Ave. - \$180,000
940 Estudillo Ave. - \$220,000
16468 Foothill - \$380,000
16085 Gramercy Dr. - \$165,000
1508 Green Ct. - \$165,000
1513 Green Ct. - \$133,000
750 Midway Ave. - \$148,000
1296 Pacific Ave. - \$100,000
1053 San Jose St. - \$193,000

13800 Velarde Dr. - \$229,000
533 Warden Ave. - \$122,500
14547 Wiley St. - \$163,000
16140 Windsor Dr. - \$215,000

SAN LORENZO
15621 Vassar Ave. - \$183,000
17257 Via Alamos - \$123,500
16143 Via Chiquita - \$185,000
15745 Via Colusa - \$143,000

SALES STATS BY CITY
ALAMEDA
TOTAL SALES: 13
LOWEST PRICE: \$139,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$385,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$256,423

ALBANY
TOTAL SALES: 9
LOWEST PRICE: \$135,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$335,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$230,277

BERKELEY
TOTAL SALES: 23
LOWEST PRICE: \$125,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$664,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$309,913

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TOTAL SALES: 6
LOWEST PRICE: \$150,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$329,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$217,416

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LOWEST PRICE: \$71,500
HIGHEST PRICE: \$143,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$111,083

KENSINGTON
TOTAL SALES: 1
PRICE: \$359,000

OAKLAND
TOTAL SALES: 64
LOWEST PRICE: \$93,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$775,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$295,125

PIEDMONT
TOTAL SALES: 4
LOWEST PRICE: \$663,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$2,300,000

AVERAGE PRICE: \$111,083
SAN LEANDRO
TOTAL SALES: 20
LOWEST PRICE: \$95,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$380,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$161,000

SAN LORENZO
TOTAL SALES: 4
LOWEST PRICE: \$123,500
HIGHEST PRICE: \$185,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$150,000

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2300 LEIMERT BLVD. Watch sunsets over the bay from this 4BD/3BA beauty in top area. Great kitchen, dramatic living room with vaulted ceiling. Don Dunning

4048 COOLIDGE AVE. Charming traditional with architectural details. 2-car garage. Great area. New kitchen, formal dining room, bay view. 3 bedrooms. Neil

3903 LA CRESTA AVE. Sunny 3BD, remodeled kitchen, breakfast area formal dining room, nice deck and backyard, 1-car garage. Chris Christensen

4009 ELSTON. Tree lined Glenview street, close to shops and schools. 2BD craftsman with original details, remodeled kitchen, painted in & out. Nancy Nova

SHOWN BY APPOINTMENT

CLASSIC NORTH OAKLAND. Triplex plus house. Owner occupier could live rent free. Good condition, 3 garages. Stan Hammond 839-5846

GOURMET GHETTO! Great house in a perfect location! Rehabbed kitchen, formal dining rm, nice yard, 2BD/1BA. Michael Childress 531-7000

ROCKRIDGE/BERKELEY BORDER. Handsome duplex, 2BD units w/whd fr. fireplace, new tile baths, garages. Owner occupier or investor. Stan Hammond

CRAFTSMAN WITH CHARACTER. Orig wood & leaded glass built-ins add to the charm of this Grand Lake 2+BD/1.5BA. Sunny yard & deck. Wendy Callaghan

CRAFTSMAN - VICTORIAN DUPLEX. Nicely restored. New elec. service & plumbing. 3BD up, 1BD down. Take over \$185K loan. Real sharp. Must see. Agnes Frank Hennefer 654-6461

CHARMING AND SERENE REDWOOD HEIGHTS. Level-in & energy efficient. 3BD. Beautiful landscaped gardens. Diane McCan 531-7000

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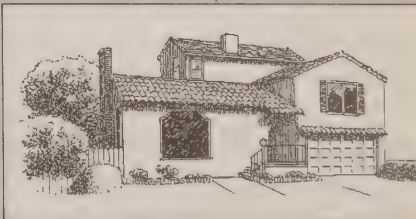
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When it's your move...

Now is the time to plan for spring Termite...

By Keeyla Meadows

With fall in the air, it's time to paint a picture of spring splendor. First walk into your garden with pencil and paper in hand and make a list of bulbs for fall planting and spring blooms.

Why not start with daffodils? Daffodils are like sunshine coming out of the ground and, personally, after a cold dreary winter I need the greeting of sunshine. Often people come into my garden in spring and kick themselves for once again not having planted bulbs in the fall.

Now is the time to buy bulbs. Don't be lazy, get out and look at the enticing pictures on bulb displays at nurseries and make some choices. I always get lots of tulips.

Sometimes tulips come back, but they're not reliable for a second bloom, so treat them as annuals and plant plenty of them. Most nurseries give you a quantity price break if you buy 10 or more and 10 of one bulb will give a nice show in a border, but often 100 tulips in a

border is not too many.

If 10 seems a lot for your single 16-inch planter, try two planters. Planters are an easy and showy place for bulbs. For a tried and true arrangement, place about five tulips at the back of the planter with clusters of about three freesias on either side at the edge, put a few ranunculas between the tulips and plant freesias and anemone coronaria at the center edge.

Pack pots with bulbs, leaving just enough room for winter and spring blooming annuals. Plant many spring annuals with bulbs that can give you both spring and winter color.

Some old favorites are primulas, violas, Iceland poppies, nemesis, cyclamen, and pansies with spring blooming selections such as linaria. Pink and cream California poppies and nemophila, 'baby blue eyes' which also come in a deep maroon penny black, are also popular. Tulips, freesias and ranunculas come in so many colors you can make

Join Keeyla's bulb class this Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

endless combinations with these three plants and never get bored.

Use parrot, Darwin and viridiflora tulips in containers for heightened drama. You can cut them for bouquets or dazzle your friends with a centerpiece for a party that looks like it came right out of a painting by an old master.

But tulips and hyacinths need to be refrigerated for six weeks minimum, which is another reason to get to the nurseries now.

Keeyla Meadows is a landscape designer and artist. Join her bulb class 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. this Sunday, Oct. 6 at the Westbrae Nursery, Berkeley. Call 524-7106 for more information.

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a gap in the barrier and tunnel straight through into the dwelling.

The termites have no other function and their constant and random foraging habits will explore every area in search of a food source until one is found. The worker termite then leaves a pheromone trail that tells the other workers the location of the food source (your home) and each worker that finds food will strengthen the pheromone trail until the food source is depleted and the random foraging begins again.

Dow Elanco has now introduced a new baiting technology called the Sentricon System that uses this random foraging by the termites to eliminate the colony by using an Insect Growth Regulator or IGR instead of a traditional pesticide barrier, and in effect causes the termites to feed themselves into elimination.

In the new system underground stations are placed around the property and the monitoring devices in the stations are checked monthly or as often as is necessary and all the information regarding activity is recorded by the technician.

When active feeding by the termites is established, the bait tubes are inserted and regular feeding by the workers spreads the IGR throughout the colony. The IGR does not work as a regular pesticide, rather it is spread throughout the colony by the termites communal sharing of food. The growth regulator prevents the juvenile termites from molting or growing into workers and the colony then starves.

After the colony has been eliminated regular monitoring of the stations will alert the operator should any new colony from adjoining areas attempt to move into the area.

In Hawaii and the Southeastern states great success has been achieved using the Sentricon System. Recognizing the fact this is an entirely new type of technology and new way of protecting homes, Dow Elanco has been very deliberate in releasing this new system. Pest control operators and technicians must go through a very elaborate and thorough training process before they are allowed to become an Authorized Operator.

This may slow the release and availability of the system to the public but it does assure the proper placement, handling and application of this new technology. The training for

Dow Elanco now introduces a new baiting technology called the Sentricon System.

the operators and technicians take time. Dow Elanco will call for a list of operators who have been trained and qualified.

Dow Elanco can be reached at (800) 686-6200. If you have questions concerning this or other treatment for termites, also call your county Commissioner or the U.S. Department of Agriculture at 646-6540.

Andy Hansen is president of Hansen Termite and Pest Control, Oakland and president of Control Operators of California, a statewide trade organization representing approximately 12,000 termite firms throughout the state. He can be reached at 532-0450.

YOUR WEEKEND GUIDE TO OPEN HOMES

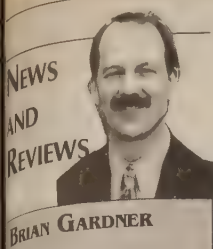
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- 171 ALPINE TER, Claremont Pines 4/4+, new price! pano views \$1,095,000
Pacific Union, Joe Knowland 339-6460
- 5831 ACACIA AVE, Claremont Pines Monterey colonial, aupair \$869,000
The GRUBB Company, Sandra Vogl 339-0400
- 5602 DENTON PL, Hillcrest Highlands 3+bd/2+ba, new listing \$869,000
Pacific Union, Joan Daniel 339-6460
- 6514 ASCOT, Montclair 4bd/3 1/2ba Med, fountains, veranda, spa \$798,000
Better Homes, Carin Caroe 339-8400
- 2 DIABLO DR, Montclair 3 lots, gated/fenced, 5/4, decks, views \$749,000
The GRUBB Company, Angela Wei Grubb 339-0400
- 5900 ACACIA AVE, Claremont Pines, a rare find! 5/3 1/2, city/hill vws \$745,000
The GRUBB Company, Linda E. McClain 339-0400
- 5940 MARGARIDO, New med w/views! kitchen/family room to patio/yard \$695,000
Coldwell Banker, Jim Duffy 339-1174
- 6122 ACACIA AVE, Upper Rockridge 4+bd/3+ba new listing! bay vw \$664,000
Pacific Union, Dee Knowland 339-6460
- 145 AGNES, Upper Rockridge new 5bd/4ba, bay vw, craftsmanship! \$649,000
Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Richard Matus 287-2501
- 13050 BROADWAY, Montclair, pano w/val! European style 3bd/2 1/2ba \$619,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, George Milliron 864-4233
- 110 STARVIEW, Hiller Highlands outstanding townhm w/elevator \$589,000
Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammer 339-1174
- 5887 MARGARIDO DR, Claremont Pines sunfilled 4/3 1/2, huge deck \$585,000
The GRUBB Company, Kurt Buchholz 339-0400
- 36 SCHOONER HILL, Magnificent views! 4/3 trwnhm - 3 levels \$549,000
Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammer 339-1174
- 2177 MANZANITA DR, Fab contemporary + living qtrs w/sep entry \$549,000
Coldwell Banker, Adriana Giacomelli 339-1174
- 3719 BRUNELL DR, 4+bd/3 1/2ba, aupair, pano bay vw, new constr \$529,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Rosalie Marshall 644-5442
- 10097 BROADWAY TER, Just listed! Montclair 3/2 1/2, FDR, fenced yd \$519,000
Coldwell Banker, Marilyn Bremser 339-1174
- 6685 SHEPHERD CANYON, 4bd/3 1/2ba, auction/minimum bid \$495K \$495,000
Gadsby & Associates, Kaye & Leigh 748-5300 SAT & SUN 1-5
- 35 TAURUS, Montclair, pano SF bay view, 5/4, aupair w/sep entry \$479,000
The GRUBB Company, Ed Kuo 339-0400
- 7070 WESTMORELAND, North Hills 3+bd/2+ba, new and view! \$469,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, M. Vasey 644-5470
- 3362 BRUNELL DR, Elegant 4/2 1/2 contemporary, family rm, woodsy \$459,000
Wells & Bennett, Wendy Callaghan 531-7000
- 451 MOUNTAIN BL, Reduced price! Montclair nr new 4/3, level-in, main floor MBR suite, FDR, vitd ceiling, 2 frpl. Richard Palmer 559-9134
- 6358 HEATHER RIDGE WY, Montclair 3bd/2 1/2ba, much for the price! \$439,000
Coldwell Banker, Evelyn Walker 339-1174
- 311 MANDALAY RD, Rockridge 4+bd/3 1/2ba, new, stunning contemp \$439,000
Better Homes, Julie Renaldi 339-8400
- 5768 SCARBOROUGH DR, P. Pines charming 3/3 1/2 on 2 lots, office \$435,000
The GRUBB Company, Linda McClain 339-0400
- 6642 LONGWALK, A Frank Lloyd Wright INSPIRED Design Home \$430,000
3bd/2b w/adj lot, sun deck. Privacy! Will Uher 278-0451 SAT & SUN 12-5
- 6212 VINECREST DR, Ridgecrest, 4bd/3ba, great fr plan, bonus rm \$429,000
Pacific Union, Robyn Mohr 339-6460
- 6555 OAKWOOD DR, Montclair beauty/quality! 4bd/3ba, frpl, rec rm \$429,000
Coldwell Banker, Nancy Dickey 339-1174
- 5850 PINEWOOD, 4bd/2 1/2ba, quiet neighborhood, new construction \$425,000
Gallagher & Lindsey, Debbie 748-1806
- 2733 DARNBY, Piedmont Pines, 3+bd/2ba sophisticated ranch \$419,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 40 STARVIEW, Hiller, Just listed! 3bd/3ba townhome, mstr suite \$409,000
Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammer 339-1174
- 6479 ASCOT DR, P. Pines updated 2-story 3bd, gourmet kit, views \$409,000
The GRUBB Company, Judy Rankankan 339-0400
- 1626 MOUNTAIN, Montclair, Fernwood 4/2 trad, 1/2 block to library \$399,900
Coldwell Banker, Ruby Ng 339-1174
- 6221 ASCOT, Montclair 4bd/4ba, large light filled rooms \$399,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Margie Wright 869-4251
- 5635 MORAGA AVE, Montclair 3bd/2 1/2ba, smashing recently built \$395,000
Better Homes, Harry Kress 531-2140
- 5809 BALMORAL DR, 3/2, remod kit & baths, fam rm, mstr, decks \$389,000
Coldwell Banker, Sherry Benninger 339-1174
- 6679 CHARING CROSS, Hiller 3/2 1/2, enclosed back yd, deck area \$379,000
Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammer 339-1174
- 5814 LASALLE AVE, Montclair, 3/2, huge family rm, bonus room \$375,000
The GRUBB Company, Susanne Paul 339-0400
- 4737 PROCTOR AVE, Upper Rockridge 3bd/2 1/2ba light-filled home, \$369,000
new construction, quality, location! Beacon Prop., Gael Janofsky 654-5408
- 2 MALL CT, Montclair, private/wooded, hwd floors, hot tub \$369,000
Pacific Union, Nancy Chew 339-6460
- 25 KINGWOOD, Sweeping SF view! 3+bd/2 1/2, family room, den \$359,000
Coldwell Banker, Sherry Benninger 339-1174

- 1343 BARROWS, 4bd/2ba, 20's charml garden, new kitchen/baths \$349,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Nancy Lehrkind 653-8092
- 1054 LEO WAY, English Tudor, 4/2 w/mstr suite, garden w/hot tub \$349,000
The GRUBB Company, Susan Veit 339-0400
- 6666 CHARING CROSS, Hiller, Large unit w/loft + rm for office \$345,000
Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammer 339-1174
- 6185 WESTOVER, 4+bd/3ba \$339,500
Coldwell Banker, Jeanne Hughes 486-1495
- 6675 MOORE DR, New on market! 3 1/2+, family rm, rec rm, patio \$337,500
Wells & Bennett, Kate Phillips 531-7000
- 2300 LEIMERT BL, 4bd/3ba, top area! dramatic LR w/vaulted ceiling \$336,750
Wells & Bennett, Don Dunning 531-7000
- 401 HILLER DR, Bright 3bd/2 1/2ba townhome, loft for office, frpl, vw \$335,000
Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammer 339-1174
- 2030 TAMPA AVE, Montclair, beautiful sunny bay view home, updt \$329,900
kitchen, private level backyd, Century 21, Agt 977-3530 SAT & SUN 2-4:30
- 11251 LOCHARD, Chabot Highlands 4bd/2 1/2ba, 1st open view \$329,000
Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Lois Harris 530-5624
- 12550 BROOKPARK, Parkridge Estates 3bd/2ba, 1/3 acre, pool \$329,000
Pacific Union, Vicki Woodhead 339-6460
- 4335 TERRABELLA, Oakland Hills 3bd/2+ba, fab SF/GG views \$325,000
Pacific Union, Dick Cohen 339-6460
- 619 LONGRIDGE, Crocker Highlands 3bd/2ba \$325,000
Coldwell Banker, Darcy Diamantini 339-1174
- 4071 OAKMORE RD, 3+bd/2+ba, wooded setting, 2 decks, hot tub \$319,900
Pacific Union, Dick Cohen 339-6460
- 4247 LAKESHORE AVE, Crocker, upr Lakeshore 3+bd/2, deck, hot tub \$319,000
The GRUBB Company, Linda McClain 339-0400
- 6627 HEARTWOOD DR, Montclair charmer, 2bd, nearly level in, deck \$315,000
bay w/studio w/sep entry. Owner 531-8382 Principals Only SAT & SUN 1-5
- 1071 BROOKWOOD, Crocker, 3+bd/1ba updated, FDR, secluded yd \$314,000
Pacific Union, Pat Dedekian 339-6460
- 4388 TERRABELLA, Oakland Hills 3bd/2 1/2ba, EIK w/deck, nr shops \$310,000
The GRUBB Company, Bettina Balesieri 339-0400
- 8211 SKYLINE BL, Montclair 3bd/2 1/2ba, space/price/condition! \$309,000
Mason-McDuffie, Marlene Daniels 428-0900
- 4668 DOLORES AV, Glenview 2+bd/2, total archit. remodel, quality \$309,000
Better Homes, Steven Biasatti 339-6160 X239
- 5851 SNAKE RD, New listing! Montclair 4/3, new kit, walk village \$309,000
Better Homes, Hal Castle 339-8400
- 1011 HUBERT RD, Adorable 3bd/2ba fixer, great lot, over 12,000sf \$305,000
Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Dolores Thom 763-1710
- 7040 SAYRE DR, Cozy/sunny 4bd/3ba, hwdrs, frpl, decks, patio, yd \$299,000
Coldwell Banker, Nancy Dickey 339-1174
- 4032 BRIGHTON AVE, Glenview 4bd/2ba breathtaking craftsman \$299,000
Better Homes, Howard Rodkin 339-8400
- 6856 ARMOUR DR, Montclair 4bd/2+ba, "great room", patio, deck \$299,000
Pacific Union, Donna Costella 339-6460
- 3341 BRUNELL DR, J. Miller 4bd/3ba contemporary w/pano bay vw \$295,000
Better Homes, Charlene Claybaugh 339-8400 X216
- 2020 MELVIN RD, Oakmore 3bd/2ba, seller motivated! A-1 \$295,000
Better Homes, Martha Shin 339-8400
- 5827 MORAGA AVE, Montclair, bright/cheery/spacious, updt kit \$295,000
Coldwell Banker, Michael Thompson 339-1174
- 5862 CHABOT COURT, Rockridge 3bd plus art studio \$289,500
Coldwell Banker, Chris Cohn 486-1495
- 376 61ST, Rockridge tri-plex, 1bd ea, old world charm, level yd \$289,000
Coldwell Banker, Terry Kulka 339-1174
- 4396 REDWOOD PL, Oakland Hills, affordable 3+bd/2+ba, SF view \$285,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 5627 GENOA, Classic No. Oak, triplex + house, could live rent free \$285,000
Wells & Bennett, Stan Hammond 531-7000
- 8418 ASTER, 4bd/3 1/2ba country estate, fantastic view, 3000 sq ft, on 1 acre of land. Christine 654-0821 SATURDAY & SUNDAY 12-4:30
- 4374 TERRABELLA WAY, 3bd/2 1/2ba, bay view! up Redwood Rd \$279,500
Better Homes, Helen Nicholas 339-8400
- 542 FAIRBANKS, Fabulous craftsman 3bd bungalows, family room, formal dining room, 1650 sq. ft. SATURDAY 2-5 487-4ERA
- 1920 LEIMERT BL, Upper Oakmore 3 1/2, decks w/canyon views \$279,000
The GRUBB Company, Anian Tunney 339-0400
- 4656 REDWOOD RD, Leona Park Villas 2 1/2 twns, garden entry \$277,000
The GRUBB Company, Angela Wei Grubb 339-0400
- 5630 MORAGA AVE, Rockridge 2bd/1ba, cute/cozy chalet \$275,000
Better Homes, Morrie Feigenberg 339-4000
- 4048 COOLIDGE, Charming trad w/architectural detail, 3bd, view \$269,000
Wells & Bennett, Noll Davis 531-7000
- 4138 EASTLAKE, 3 1/2, corner lot, glorious city/bay vws, spa/patio \$269,000
Prudential Landmark RE, Dennis Humes 549-8123
- 4039 LINWOOD, Glenview 3/2 craftsman charmer, circa 1919, frpl \$268,000
The GRUBB Company, Judy Rankankan 339-0400
- 39 RAMONA, Craftsman, updated w/central heat, seismic retrofit \$267,000
Coldwell Banker, Ken MacDonald 339-1174
- 2601 CAMINO LENADA, 5bd/4ba, fam room w/frpl, wal to village \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Natalie Cutler 849-5301
- 701 GLENDOME C/S, Glenview 3bd/2ba, art moderne, canyon vw \$267,000
Pacific Union, Tom Anthony 339-6460
- 4175 EASTLAKE, Redwood Hts 3bd/2ba, bay vw, bargaining time! \$267,000
Better Homes, Harriet Schoen 531-2437
- 3971 WHITTE, Dimond 4bd/2 1/2ba, large updated home, good area \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9200, Ed Marshall 869-4244
- 4441 MONTGOMERY, Pied Av new listing! home+cottage, 2 1/2 + 1 1/2 \$267,000
Harbor Bay Realty, Fred Christensen 814-4811
- 9990 SIGOURNEY, Breathtaking view! Sequoia 3 1/2 custom, xtra \$267,000
Harbor Bay Realty, Fred Christensen 814-4811
- 6373 PINEHAVEN, Montclair 3bd/1 1/2ba, new listing! hm office \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie, Mary Hanna 428-0900
- 5680 CARBERRY, 3+bd/1+ba artistically restored Med, Idora Park \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie 845-0211, Julie Nachtwey 849-5303
- 3916 SEQUOYAH RD, 3bd/2ba, lg family rm overlooks gardens! \$267,000
Better Homes, Charlene Claybaugh 444-7653 SATURDAY & SUNDAY 11-5
- 4106 39TH AVE, Redwood Hts 2+bd/2ba, new listing! bay vw, deck \$267,000
Pacific Union, Vicki Woodhead 339-6460
- 4749 STACY ST, A real charmer! new listing 3bd/2ba, hwdrs, yard \$267,000
Coldwell Banker, Phyllis Milenback 339-1174
- 842-842A WALKER, Grand Lake 2bd/1+ba, hwdrs, formal DR, plus \$267,000
1/1 in-law, 2 garages, 5% down. Owner 834-8768 SUNDAY 11-5
- 2548-50 SCENIC, Opportunity/own + rent! 2 gorgeous homes! \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie, Cindy Boze 869-4203
- 1354 BARROWS RD, Crocker 2bd/2ba, 2+rms, hwdrs, grt location \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Pat Buhler 287-5910
- 1558 HOLMAN, Crocker cutiel 2bd/1ba perfect starter, FDR, yd \$267,000
Coldwell Banker, Donna Conroy 339-1174
- 4349-4351 MONTGOMERY ST, Walk Pied Ave, 1bd + artist studio \$267,000
The GRUBB Company, Donald Grubb Jr. 339-0400
- 3408 BRUNELL, Views/privacy! 2bd contemporary, lg decks \$267,000
Coldwell Banker, Darcy Diamantini 339-1174
- 4646 REINHARDT, Redwood Hts 3bd/2ba smashing Spanish Med \$267,000
Better Homes, Victor Fiero 832-4339
- 5730 THORNHILL DR, Montclair, 2bd/1ba charming cottage, deck \$267,000
Better Homes, Edith Marcus 339-4000
- 4188 WILSHIRE, Awesome pano view! lg lot, unique architectural \$267,000
Prudential Landmark RE, Phil Fair 549-8121
- 719 JEAN ST, Grandlake 3bd/1ba, large lot, porch & yard, new listing \$267,000
Pacific Union, Chuck Conroy 339-6460
- 4279 WOODLAND, Crestwood 4bd/2ba updated, move in condition \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Dollie Hansen 466-5761
- 3903 LA CRESTA AV, Sunny 3bd, remod kitchen, FDR, deck, backyd \$267,000
Wells & Bennett, Chris Christensen 531-7000
- 1475 EXCELSIOR AVE, Glenview 3bd/2ba, new listing! new paint \$267,000
Better Homes, Ken Ferrell 814-9036
- 2 MERLIN CT, Grass Valley 4bd/2 1/2ba, lg corner lot, fenced backyd \$267,000
Better Homes, Hal Marcus 339-4000
- 418 NEWTON AV, Haddon Hill 3bd/1 1/2ba 2-story craftsman, aupair \$267,000
Better Homes, Lyn Murray 339-8400
- 3947 ARDLEY AVE, Glenview, 2+bd/1ba, price reduced! craftsman \$267,000
Better Homes, Ed Underfor 531-8401
- 3126 CALIFORNIA, Laurel 3+bd/1 1/2ba, special tudor! quiet street \$267,000
Better Homes, Rachel Bailor 339-3860
- 35 ABBOTT, Vintage detail! hwd, updt kit/baths, 3/2 fixer, based \$267,000
Prudential Landmark RE, Bill Clark 549-8119
- 266 MATHER ST, Piedmont Ave 3bd/1 1/2ba, best value! wood floors \$267,000
Better Homes, Tom Nemeth 652-6537 SUNDAY 2-5
- 4009 ELSTON, Tree lines Glenview street, 2bd, detail! nr shops \$267,000
Wells & Bennett, Nancy Novick 531-7000
- 3368 JORDAN RD, Redwood Hts 2/1, new listing! charming starter \$267,000
Pacific Union, Thomas Wurst 339-6460
- 3260 FLORIDA ST, 3+bd/1 1/2 trad w/charml brdstr mt, seller may carry \$267,000
Coldwell Banker, Norm Robinson 339-1174
- 610 JEAN ST, New listing! new 2/2 condos nr Rose Gdn, hwd, frpl \$267,000
Templeton Company, Ron Egberman 652-2133 X127
- 4012 EDGEWOOD, Millsmont 3bd/2ba, Old World charm w/many \$267,000
upgrades. Hwdrs, large yd. Must See! Agent 799-4677
- 2501 CARMEL ST, 2bd/1 1/2ba, fresh paint, new electric service \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, John Bell 839-3438
- 3035 FRUITVALE AVE, 3bd/1 1/2ba craftsman beauty! \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie, Sybil Bailey 834-2010 SUNDAY 2-5
- 4444 PARK, Up Glenview, charming 2+bd/1ba, lots of wood \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Mike Potmesli 869-4241
- 4321 STEELE, Upper High, 2bd/1ba, updated, private garden, view \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Chenita Lusted 536-9510
- 1421 ALLMAN, Glenview, 2/1, sunny EIK, oak flrs, FDR, fenced yd \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Nancy Lehrkind 653-8092
- 375 51ST ST, Spacious condo, security, near BART \$267,000
Mason-McDuffie 845-0211, Erika 658-3727

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NEWS AND REVIEWS

BRIAN GARDNER

Adding to a House: Planning, Design & Construction, by Phillip Wenz, hardcover, 240 pages, black-and-white and color photographs, 75 drawings. Available from the Taunton Press, 63 South Main St., P.O. Box 5506, Newton, MA 02470-5506, \$34.95, or from the Builders Booksource at 1817 Fourth St. in Berkeley.

Trying to decide whether to move to a new home or to add-on to the existing one can be a daunting task. On the other hand, moving into a different home seems easier than living with the disruption created by renovation work. On the other hand, though, staying in a home that has a floor plan

To add on or to move on: solutions to that question

which you are basically comfortable with tips the scale back the other way.

When you consider the fact that any additions to your existing home can be done to your exact specifications, you have another solid reason to stay in the home you already own. But then again, you might find another house with more room that you like even better ... What to do? Well, before you make a decision to move, why not sit down with a cup of java, get seated in your favorite, very comfortable recliner, and read through *Adding to a House*, by long-time contractor and remodeling expert Phillip Wenz.

Whether you are a homeowner considering adding on or a contractor wanting to get into this segment of the building market, Wenz's systematic architectural approach takes the reader step by step through the complex process of adding space to any type of home.

The three main sections set the tone for this very complete work.

The Architecture of Additions; Conditions, Problems and Solutions; and Designing and Building cover nearly every aspect of, well ... adding to a house.

In the first chapter, To Add or Not To Add, Wenz offers some very logical but helpful advice. What is the case for adding on? Conversely, what would be the case for moving? What are the five aspects of feasibility for adding on? And there's the feasibility test: "To pass the feasibility test—and qualify to enter the preliminary design phase," writes Wenz, "a project must look as if it will work on all levels." There are several panels that chart the costs of various projects, which can be helpful during the initial phase when one is still deciding if adding on is the right way to go.

In Chapter 2, Three Ways of Adding On, the author begins to employ a skillful blend of diagrams, text and photos of completed addition projects, and several before and after color photos, which depict just how dramatic add-ons can be. One

California home in particular was completely transformed by a two-story room addition. All but the most discerning eye would be hard-pressed to tell it is even the same house. The results in this addition are stunning, to say the least.

Ever heard of a remuddle? You will in Chapter 3, titled, Designing for Continuity. Featured along with other relevant information are three examples of bad planning and a little humor to boot. In each of these examples the author provides photos of, and ponders if perhaps an earthquake, a failed taco stand and the desire to match the color of one's car really did play a part in these remuddles. You decide.

The book is easy to read, is complete with plenty of diagrams, drawings, and both color and black-and-white photographs depicting every aspect of the informative text. Another example of the quality of the book is in Chapter 10. Here, the reader gets to take on City Hall.

Well, not exactly, but there is some good advice provided so that

the necessary permit process is a little better understood.

The best plan is to gather planning and zoning information early, take the preliminary design sketches to the zoning office and get on the planning commission calendar as soon as possible. The author also advises that you seek variances only when absolutely necessary, make friends with your neighbors, don't start on the working drawings until after the hearing and have a backup plan.

This may not be the most enjoyable part of adding to your house, but like the fellow who speeds past the "last gas for 200 miles" sign on the interstate without looking at his gas gauge, you will be happier for having gotten this part ironed out way before you get very far down the add-on road, to be sure!

While there is an abundance of valuable information within the three main sections, coming to the end of the third one doesn't mean you've run out of useful text. In Appendix I, II and III, the reader

will find useful checklists which will help steer the add-on project down the right path. These checklists can be copied and used as worksheets separate from the book, keeping it in pristine condition to refer to later, as needed.

A bibliography section is a nice addition, but would have been more complete if the addresses of the publishers were included so that writing for those books pertinent to your project could be less time consuming.

All in all, as with the many other books produced by the Taunton Press, and flaws are happily few and far between and their books provide information for a wide variety of needs. True to that reputation, this is a book that will be helpful for both those that have decided to add-on to their home and those that are still undecided.

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YOUR WEEKEND GUIDE TO OPEN HOMES

421 MSTERSON, Laurel 2bd/1ba, charming, updated, plus room
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Howard Converse 869-4212

415 MORGAN, Lincoln Hts 2b/1b 1920's cottage, fixer opportunity
Baller Homes, Rachel Baller 530-3860

415 ELINORA AVE, Redwood Hts 2bd/1ba adorable cottage, lg lot
Pacific Union, Wendy Gardner 339-6460

427 HARRISON ST, 3bd/1ba lovely older hm, needs wk/priced right
Kistly & Associates, Leigh 748-5300

429 CARMEL ST, Lincoln Hts 2bd/1+ba, best value! 1300 sf twnmh
Pacific Union, Nancy Chew 339-6460

431 DAMUTH ST, Dimond 2bd/1ba brown shingle cottage, updated
Baller Homes, Carolyn Hartley 339-4000

434 MONADOCK WY, Mills Collage, sellers loss/your gain! lg lot
Baller Homes, Sherdella Sims 339-4000

432 8TH STREET, 3bd/1ba
Coldwell Banker, Dave Moss 486-1495

431 DURANT, 2bd/1ba, super clean, tree lined street, fenced yd
Mason-McDuffie, Darin Tinsley 834-2010

435 COOLIDGE AVE, Laurel 1+bd/1ba darling cottage, patio
Pacific Union, Sandi Klemmer 339-6460

437 ARKANSAS, Fruitvale 1+bd/1ba, creekside, charm! 2nd open
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Mark Cujak 869-4237

437 PENNIMAN COURT, 1+bd/1ba
Coldwell Banker, Diane Verducci 486-1495

ALAMEDA Open Sunday

435 FERNSIDE, A gem! come see this beautiful 3bd/2ba home
Mason-McDuffie, DA Hammond 339-9290 SUNDAY 2-4:30

435 SHEFFIELD, Harbor Bay Isle, corner lot, 3/2, greenbelt vv, deck
Coldwell Banker, Vicky Faulk 339-1174 SUNDAY 2-4:30

437 EASTSHORE, Terrific 3bd/2+ba split level, quiet neighborhood
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Bob Randall 869-4242 SUNDAY 2-4:30

431 REGULUS CT, Marina Village 2/2 exquisite twnmh by lagoon
Coldwell Banker, Fritz Hochtelner 339-1174 SUNDAY 2-4:30

439 GARFIELD AVE, 3bd/2ba spacious traditional, hardwoods,
1 1/2 car double garage, Alameda RE, Margaret Lomba 522-8595 SUNDAY 2-4

ALBANY Open Sunday

436 FRANCIS ST, Attractive house on 2 full lots, 2500sf, 4bd/1ba
"as is" lot, landscaped, huge living/dining area, 450 sf solarium. Home must
be seen to fully appreciate. Will sell fast/act now! SAT & SUN 12-5 527-8719

432 TALBOT AVE, 3bd/2ba MacGregor, frpl, updt kit, walk shops
Harris Gardens 527-2700, Ken Katz 428-4023 SUNDAY 2-4

437 MASONIC, Spacious 2+bd, plus room w/separate entry
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X137 SUNDAY 2-4

432 MARIN, 3bd/1ba
Coldwell Banker, Lydia Melsen 486-1495 SUNDAY 2-4:30

437 KEY ROUTE BL, 2bd/1ba, just reduced! frpl, large patio
Pacific Union, Rich Gould 339-6460 SUNDAY 2-4:30

437 TAFT, New listing! 2+bd/2 1/2ba, huge, ready to move in
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X107 SUNDAY 2-4

439 CORNELL #204, 2/2 2nd fr condo, updt kit, balcony, nr shops
Coldwell Banker, Melissa Lyckberg 486-1495 SUNDAY 2-4

BERKELEY Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

435 MILLER AVE, 4bd/3 1/2ba, mstr w/frpl, sunken LR, gourmet kitchen
The GRUBB Company 339-0400, Jeanette Roach 547-1760 SUN 4:00-7:00

435 STONEWALL, 5bd/4ba craftsman gem view, lush gardens
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Jeffrey Himmel 644-5464

435 CRESTON RD, Private country setting, 2 mstr suites + in-law
Harris Gardens 527-2700, Ann Ariola Plant 287-8761 SUNDAY 4:00-7:00

435 ALVARADO RD, Romantic secluded 4+ 1/2 English, garden
L. Ward, Vicky Friedman 845-6021 X227 SUNDAY 2-4

432 Cragmont AVE, 4/3 1/2, ideal firpln for aupair, roof deck w/vw
Harris Realty, Diane Sindel Deutsche 524-8508 SUNDAY 4:00-7:00

437 SANTA BARBARA, 4+bd/3ba Med. gourmet kit, GG/SF views
Templeton Company, Nancy Noman 652-2133 X124 SUNDAY 2-5

437 PANORAMIC, 4bd/3ba, 2 mstr suites, superb view! all
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Orrun Niesar 849-5310

437 ARLINGTON AVE, 4bd/3ba updated Spanish Med w/artistic flair
Pacific Union, Joanna Gould 339-6460

434 BENVENUE, Elmwood 5+ 1/3 neo-classic, FDR, aupair 3rd level
Harris Realty 843-5676

434 GRAVATT, View! just listed, 4+ 1/2 Claremont Hts, bay panorama
Templeton Company, Gini Erck 652-2133 X133

435 KEELER AVE, 4+bd/2 1/2ba, elegant, serene private setting
Harris, Templeton Company 652-2133 SUNDAY 4:30-7:00

435 HENRY, Berkeley 3+bd/2 1/2ba
Coldwell Banker, Linda Wolan 486-1495

435 EUCALYPTUS, Distinctive 3bd/1 1/2ba, charming, great location
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, H. Chew 644-5422

435 Cragmont, Berkeley 4+ 1/2
Coldwell Banker, Candace Hyde-Wang 486-1495

1400 HAWTHORNE, New listing! Berk hills tudor, updt kit, walk UC
Coldwell Banker, John Nielsen 339-1174

722 KEELER AVE, Graciosa 5+bd/3ba, flex fr plan, decks, hot tub
Mason-McDuffie, Francine DiPalma 849-3711/273-9319 SUNDAY 4:00-7:00

2417 CEDAR ST, Legal duplex used as 2bd, hm office/studio, patio
Templeton Company, Bebe McRae 652-2133 X145 SUNDAY 2-4

708 GRIZZLY PEAK BL, 3bd/2ba, split-level home with deck
Security Pacific, Jamie Lake 765-5960 SUNDAY 4:00-7:00

975 INDIAN ROCK AVE, Lovely 3bd/2ba, privacy, prime location
Mason-McDuffie, Chris Neddersen 527-0174 SUNDAY 4:00-7:00

1305 HENRY ST, 3 new townhouses, 2 & 3 bd, finest quality
Pacific Union, Rich Gould 339-6460

2690 MARIN, 2bd/1 1/2ba, Berkeley Hills Medit, needs TLC,
spacious rooms, good location! Ellis Company 527-3030, 526-5757

2478 PRINCE, New price! attractive 2-story 4bd/1+ba trad
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X185 SUNDAY 2-4

931 MODOC, Berkeley 3+bd/1+ba
Coldwell Banker, Rita Zwerdling 486-1495

573 THE ALAMEDA, 2bd/1ba
Coldwell Banker, Melissa Lyckberg 486-1495

1629 GRANT, Berkeley 6bd/2ba
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2919 WHEELER, 3+ 1/2 restored Victorian, quiet street, garden
Templeton Company, Susie Schevill 652-2133 X144 SUNDAY 2-4

1532 SCENIC AVE, No. Berkeley 3bd/2ba, gorgeous condo
Mason-McDuffie, Lisa Friedman 834-2010

1583 ARCH, Beautiful garden setting, 2+bd/1+ba condo
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X125 SUNDAY 2-4

1358 HEARST AVE, No. Berkeley 2/1, just reduced! office, frpl
Pacific Union, Ann Nichols 339-6460

1539 DWIGHT @ Spaulding, Expansive 2bd
Templeton Company, Leslie Easterday 652-2133 X134 SUNDAY 2-4

1071 PAGE ST, 3bd/2ba Oceanview home + in-law studio/wkshop
Better Homes, Anida Weyl 746-1949

1603 RUSSELL, New listing! great 3bd/2ba 2-story starter!
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2754 DOHR ST, New listing! cute 3bd/1+ba starter, move right in!
Templeton Company, Ron Egberman 652-2133 X127

1226 KAINS AVE, Baby brown shingle w/remodeled kitchen & bath
Thornwall Properties, Kathryn Hill 848-1950 X242 SUNDAY 2-4

2029 CHANNING, 1 & 2bd city condos, nr UC, BART & shops
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X174 SUNDAY 1-5

1721 BERKELEY WAY, 2bd/1ba
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2538 TULARE, El Cerrito 4+bd/3ba
Coldwell Banker, Henry Chang 486-1495 SUNDAY 2-4:30

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2721 SO. WILDWOOD, Hercules 2bd/1ba
Coldwell Banker, Karen Danrich 486-1495 SUNDAY 2-4:30

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41 LAM CT, New listing! 4 1/2 1/2 custom bit around pvt courtyard, extras
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ORINDA Open Sunday

21 DIAS DORADOS, Beautifully renovated 5bd/3 1/2ba, spacious
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, George Milliron 869-4233 SUNDAY 1-4

PIEDMONT Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

271 CROCKER AVE, 5bd/3+ba, immaculate trad'l, den, rumpus
Pacific Union, Bonnie Hirsch 339-6460

11 SELBORNE DR, 6bd/4ba, flex floor plan, rumpus, level yd
Pacific Union, Joan Hause 339-6460

140 MONTICELLO, 5+bd/3+ba, beautiful arts & crafts trad, 1/4 acre
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Claire Cunningham 644-5434

21 PARK WAY, Spacious 3-story trad, 5+ sunny bd, seller finance
The GRUBB Company, Donald Grubb Jr. 339-0400

316 SCENIC AVE, 4bd/3ba, remodeled, SF bay views, private setting
Pacific Union, Martha Holislaw 339-6460

217 SCENIC, Stunning SF Bay views! 5/4 Spanish Med, nw carpet
Coldwell Banker, Phyllis Milenbach 339-1174

100 HAZEL LN, 3bd/2+ba, unique & charming, quality, patio/garden
Pacific Union, Sally Morrison 339-6460

331 ST JAMES DR, 4bd/4ba, great value/space/opportunity! 4300sf
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Carole Berger 655-6571

77 DUDLEY AVE, Spacious, elegant w/FDR, rumpus, patio, fam rm
The GRUBB Company, Nancy Rothman 339-0400

1034 HARVARD RD, 4bd/3ba, terraced garden, remodeled kitchen
Coldwell Banker, Stacy Winnett 339-1174

120 ESTATES, Single level 4bd/2 1/2ba contemporary w/a bay view
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Yehuda Ben-David 869-4205

45 INVERLEITH TER, 3bd/2+ba, new kitchen, family rm w/frpl
Pacific Union, Roselle Woods 339-6460

116 INDIAN RD, 4bd/3ba, private, serene, level-in, extras
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Anne Deichler 644-5427

431 PALA AVE, 3bd/2ba, updated kitchen, rumpus, grt yd, pool
Pacific Union, Francis Heath 339-6460

1119 WARFIELD, Price reduced! 4bd/3ba, owner needs a sale
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Paula Champion 869-4207

58 LASALLE AVE, Value! light/sunny, creekside 3/2, brick patio
The GRUBB Company, Elizabeth Dickson 339-0400

93 FAIRVIEW AVE, Updated 3bd/2+ba, FDR, hdwds, lg mstr suite
The GRUBB Company, Connie Rogers 339-0400

159 ST JAMES DR, 3bd/3ba, renovated interior, FDR, family rm
Pacific Union, Sally Morrison 339-6460

156 LAKE AVE, Charming 2-story, magical kitchen! 3bd, study, gdn
The GRUBB Company, Katherine Cooper 339-0400

507 MORAGA, 4bd/2ba, park-like yard, best deal in Piedmont!
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900

230 WILDWOOD AVE, 4bd/3ba best buy! new paint/carpet, family rm
Pacific Union, Ann Nichols 339-6460

1607 GRAND AVE, 3/2 trad'l, FDR, corner lot, grt neighborhood
Coldwell Banker, Dyan Hyman 339-1174

56 NACE, Piedmont 3+bd/2ba with yard, deck, garage
Art Realty, Agent 486-4805 SUNDAY 2-5 Firm: \$325,900

429 LINDA AVE, 2bd/1ba adorable home, garden setting
Pacific Union, Debi Fitzgerald 339-6460

RICHMOND Open Sunday

6112 ORCHARD AVE, R. Annex, 3/1 1/2, frpl, FDR, fenced w/gdn, patio
Re/Max Bay Area 528-6212, Mark Kron 548-4534 SUNDAY 2-5 "As Is"

5633 HUNTINGTON, R. Annex 3/1, move in condition! hdwd floors
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X117 SUNDAY 2-4

730 McLAUGHLIN, Richmond View 2bd/1ba
Coldwell Banker, The Longs 486-1495 SUNDAY 2-4:30

SAN LEANDRO Open Sunday

2240 BENEDICT DR, 3bd/2ba, new lower price, Bay-O-Vista
Gadsby & Associates, Bill 748-5300

458 DIEHL AVE, 3bd/1+ba, hdwd floors, built-ins, beaut. windows
Pacific Union, Teri Carlisle 339-6460 SUNDAY 2-4:30

2515 OUTRIGGER, Wonderful 3/2 1/2, tile entry, balcony, garage
Harbor Bay Realty, Teri Lee 521-3352

15074 JUNIPER ST, Asian motif 3/1, custom kitchen, deck, patio
Deadich Real Estate 632-1234 SUNDAY 1-3

101 GEORGIA WAY, 2+bd/1ba
Better Homes, Earle Shenk 339-4000 SUNDAY 2-4:30

290 W. BROADMOOR, 2/1, FHA/VA terms, seller help closing costs
Re/Max in Motion, Louise Lovewell 351-5555/733-1700 SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

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203 Meetings

DREAM Therapy- Spiritual Direction group October 15 for six weeks. Dr. Roy/ Eleanor Futscher, 654-5987

206 Found

GAT, male, 8-10 years old, approximately 15 lbs., dark brown long hair, declawed, 595-9588

STERLING Silver ID bracelet. Found Rockledge/Payless, September 23rd. Call to identify, 544-8266

FOUND Montclair, Sunday September 22nd, neutered male 2-3 years, white with black Sweet, well behaved. Call Montclair Pet Shop, 339-9474 to identify or adopt

BOXER mix, black/white, Chavez Park, Young, gentle, friendly, shots. Or to good home 548-9763

207 Giveaway

URGENTLY need temporary foster homes for homeless animals. Need food, cages, litter, traps. Marc 501-444-3204

BELGIAN Sheepdog mix, young, neutered, all shots, affectionate, smart, needs home 548-8126

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SOFA, L-shaped, 531-8725

SKATEBOARD launch ramp, 3 ft. 530-9610

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THREE cubic yards of base rock. You haul 655-3124

208 Lost

LOST Tabby cat, 5th block of Sheldon Dr., slender, black/white paws. Name "Dustin" 531-3674

"TOM" All black DSH cat, still missing. Please return safely. We love you Tom 530-7522

KITTEN Orange male, 7 months. Multi-colored, "Madrone" Grand Ave. area on September 24th 836-1765

LOST "Dusty", brown Tabby cat, 2 years old, honey eyes, Chilton Dr., Oakland hills. 531-3674

GERMAN shepherd/lab, female, 11 months, honey colored, black nose. Sweet, playful Coolidge/Lynde 601-6171

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Teacher Feature

El Cerrito High's Roddy Lee exposes students to life

By Linda Goldfarb

"Goals and the ability to achieve goals should always remain in our dreams," says El Cerrito High School teacher Roddy Lee. Having won two silver medals in track representing the Republic of China in the 1970 Asian Olympic Games, then going on to the 1972 Olympics in Munich, this one-time "fastest Asian hurdler in the world" knows something about goals and dreams.

No stranger to the area, Roddy grew up in Kensington, attended Portola Middle School and El Cerrito High School, then earned his degree in business and physical education at U.C. Berkeley. After receiving his credential, Roddy spent ten years teaching business and physical education and coaching track at Kennedy High in

Richmond. His goal, however, was to return to his high school alma mater. When a position opened up, it wasn't exactly a perfect match. "El Cerrito needed a math teacher who could also coach volleyball," Roddy chuckled. His desire to return overcame his unfamiliarity with "pass-set-spike". He accepted the job, quickly learned about the game, and in 12 years of coaching, the girls' varsity team has gone to the North Coast Section Championships eight times!

"Exposure. That's what education is, exposing students to as much as you can. I try to expose my students to skills that will be useful after they graduate."

Off the volleyball courts, Roddy exposes his students to computer applications and business law/

money management.

"In today's world, it's so important that kids are computer literate," he emphasizes. That's why the ECHS Technology Committee, guided by Roddy, spent a summer weekend wiring the school for Internet access. This year, Roddy's students will learn to obtain information using the Internet. "This is a skill," says Roddy, "that students will be able to use throughout their lives."

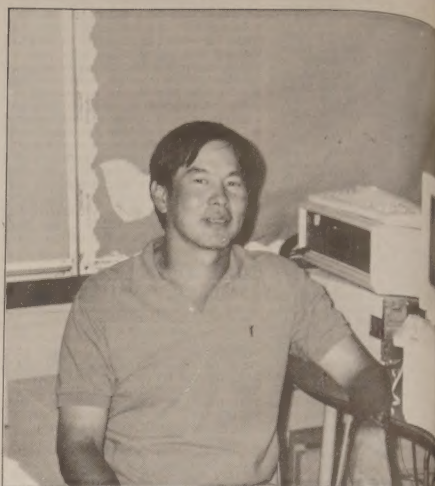
Roddy's business law/money management class could easily be dubbed, Life Exposure 101. "My students learn to prepare a resume, then I interview them for various occupations."

Positions include a CEO (who has to be able to take over the class at any given moment), landlords (who are responsible for finding and renting apartments to other

students), bankers (who keep track of students' money), and stockbrokers (to assist students in decisions about stock purchases and investments). "Each job has a base salary. If students are at work (school) each day, they earn their full salary; if they miss class, their pay is docked. I keep track of all the money; students keep track of their own money, the bankers keep track of their clients' money, and the landlords keep track of everyone who has to pay them." Roddy's class provides a snapshot of real life to his students.

Real life is also part of Roddy's life at ECHS — his son is a senior and his daughter is a freshman.

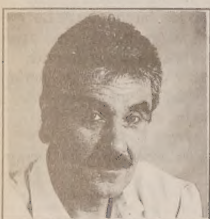
Roddy Lee doesn't just prepare kids to face the next level of learning, he prepares them to face life and, more importantly, to hold on to their goals and dreams.



Roddy Lee

FITNESS & HEALTH

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Interval Treadmill + Heart Rate Monitor = Ultimate Fitness

By Paul Yazolino

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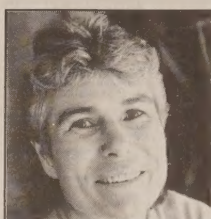
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Paul Yazolino, president of Fitness Equipment USA, is the 1995 World and U.S. National Masters champion sprint cyclist and holder of the world and national records in his class. His athletic career spans over 30 years and includes the Mr. USA bodybuilding title and a silver medal in power lifting. His championship-level athletic background and his early training in mechanical engineering make him one of the fitness equipment industry's top experts. Paul is a consultant to the orthopedic, sports medicine, and rehab communities, a member of the Advisory Board of the International Strength Building Council, and frequently appears on radio and television talk shows.

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Put Yourself In the Fitness Picture

By Dr. Laura J. VanHarn

rehabilitation programs for various sports. These experiences lead me to continue coaching and designing conditioning programs for national and world class athletes today.

While pursuing my academic training as an exercise physiologist, I taught activity classes in the Physical Education Department. My responsibilities were to direct the curriculum and training for the department's staff in aerobics and weight training.

My goal is to use my knowledge and experience to develop and implement "state of the art" health, fitness, recreation, and sport training programs.

As one of the ever growing wave of "baby boomers," I have dedicated the rest of my career to developing model health and fitness programs for ordinary people over 40. We as a society must change the idea that aging is correlated with getting weaker, less active and in need of more health care.

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